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INTRODUCTION

Understanding violence is the first step towards preventing violence. Using information collected through a national public health surveillance system, this report provides a detailed understanding of violent death in Virginia for 2006 and summary data for the years 2003-2006. The findings of this report will educate the general public, inform policy makers, and provide information needed to address violence as a serious public health problem.

Active violent death surveillance requires depth of detail to reveal the nature and circumstances of these deaths. It links many disparate sources of information – death investigations by medico-legal death investigators, forensic pathologists, law enforcement officers, and toxicologists; records from health and mental health care providers; and other relevant sources. One author states that “collecting data on the circumstances of violent death will clarify the association of personal and social risk factors with violence [to] allow interpretation of trends in violent deaths [and] help identify potential prevention strategies.”¹

In 2001, Congress appropriated funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to develop and initiate a comprehensive surveillance system that would meet the above standards. This funding resulted in the creation of the National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS). Described by the CDC as “linking data to save lives,” the NVDRS extends knowledge about where, when, and to whom violent death occurs to include why and how the death occurred. In late 2002 the CDC made the first awards for the NVDRS to six states, including Virginia. Virginia was the first medical examiner system to receive funding, and began implementation of the NVDRS in 2003.

The NVDRS documents violent deaths that originate within a state’s borders. It compiles information sources from violent death investigation and correlates victims with circumstances such as drug and alcohol use, mental illness, intimate partner violence, and the other issues that lead up to and contribute to violent death. The Virginia Violent Death Reporting System (VVDRS) is the operation and reporting system of the NVDRS within Virginia, and uses the methodology, definitions, coding schema, and software application of the NVDRS.

VIOLENT DEATH DEFINED A violent death results “from the intentional use of physical force or power against oneself, another person, or against a group or community.”² The person using the force does not have to intend to kill.

The VVDRS staff surveil the following types of violent deaths that originate within Virginia’s borders:

- suicide;
- homicide;
- legal intervention;
- unintentional firearm death;
- deaths resulting from terrorism; and,
- undetermined death.

The following scenarios are excluded:

- executions ordered by a court of law;
- victims who died in Virginia, but were not residents and were injured in another state;
- victims who were Virginia residents but were injured and died out of the state;
- natural deaths; and,
- unintentional injury deaths not caused by a firearm, such as motor vehicle collisions or falls.

ORGANIZATION OF THIS REPORT The report begins with an overview of violent death in Virginia in 2006, including basic demographics about victims, death types, methods of fatal injury, and other highlighted findings. Subsequent sections on suicide, homicide, legal intervention, unintentional firearm injury, and child death detail the characteristics and relevant circumstances surrounding these types of violent death. Two appendixes provide summary information about violent death in Virginia from 2003 to 2006.

METHODOLOGY

IDENTIFICATION OF VVDRS CASES VVDRS cases are identified through the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME), the office that has jurisdiction over all deaths occurring in Virginia that are classified as violent by the NVDRS. Each Surveillance Coordinator (Coordinator) - an individual intensively trained in the concepts, definitions, and database of the NVDRS - reviews a daily log of deaths reported to the OCME and uses established guidelines to determine which cases to include.

Each victim’s records are reviewed by a Coordinator. The Coordinator ensures that all sources of information required by the NVDRS are in the record and requests reports that are not already in the file. The Coordinator abstracts and manually enters the relevant information from the records into the database. Year-round quality assurance activities maintain accurate data entry and consistency among Coordinators. Deaths entered into the VVDRS are reconciled with deaths reported by the Virginia Division of Health Statistics and the OCME for the purpose of comprehensive case identification.³

¹ Patel, N., et al. (2006) “Homicides and Suicides – National Violent Death Reporting System, United States, 2003-2004.” *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)*, August 2 – Vol. 296, No. 5: 506-510.

² Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2004) *National Violent Death Reporting System Coding Manual: Version 2*. (Atlanta, GA.), 2.

DEATHS INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT All NVDRS-defined violent deaths where the fatal injury originated and the victim died within Virginia's borders are included in this report.

EXPLANATION OF DATA Throughout this report, information is presented using three statistics: (1) the number of cases (or "n") that fit a category, (2) the percentage of cases that fit a category, and (3) the ratio for selected categories. Numbers and percents describe frequency of occurrence; ratios are summary statistics that provide a standard unit of measurement, permit precise comparisons between groups, and reveal levels of risk. Ratios are calculated by dividing the number of deaths for a certain group by their overall population number, and then multiplying that figure by a constant, in this case 100,000. For example, in Table 1, the number of male violent death victims (1,064) is divided by the total number of males in Virginia in 2006 (3,756,771), and then multiplied by 100,000 to create a ratio of 28.3. The statement that "the violent death ratio for males is 28.3" is equivalent to "28.3 of every 100,000 males in Virginia died from a violent death." The terms "ratio" and "risk" are used interchangeably in this report.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION USED IN THIS REPORT Statistics on violent deaths come from the 2003-2006 VVDRS databases. Population data used to calculate ratios come primarily from the Virginia Division of Health Statistics⁴ and are supplemented by the American Community Survey.⁵

CAUTIONS Ratios based on 20 or fewer cases are considered statistically unreliable and should be interpreted and used with caution. Percentages based on small numbers of cases should also be interpreted with care. Ratios and percentages based on 20 or fewer cases are presented in this report in the interest of complete reporting.

CHANGES IN THIS REPORT The 2006 report reflects several changes that have been made to the coding schema of the NVDRS and in data analysis procedures. These changes afford a more useful, informative, and comprehensive representation of violent death in Virginia.

First, non-Virginia residents are included in this report. Previous publications limited reporting to Virginia residents, which meant that each year an average of 34 violent death victims were excluded from analysis and reporting. The NVDRS was designed to report all violent deaths occurring within a state, not just the violent deaths that occur to residents. The philosophy behind this change supports injury and violence prevention efforts. If injuries occur in Virginia, then Virginia may have an opportunity to prevent similar deaths, regardless of where the victims reside.

Another change concerns the collection, analysis, and reporting of mental health diagnoses. Previously, a suicide victim could be reported to have a diagnosis of depression and a diagnosis of bipolar disorder. Since a diagnosis of bipolar disorder includes depression, coding both diagnoses for a victim is redundant and technically incorrect. Therefore, victims with diagnoses of depression and bipolar disorder are now reported to have bipolar disorder.⁶ This change was integrated into the coding schema and corrected retroactively through the 2003 database. The new schema results in lower numbers of victims reported as having depression, because victims are not double counted.

The reporting of some homicide characteristics is also altered here to reduce redundancy. Previously, a homicide could be reported as related to the general element "Argument or Abuse or Conflict" and to one or more of the specific elements: "Intimate Partner Violence Related," "Intimate Partner Jealousy or Rivalry," and "Argument over Money or Property." This report describes deaths as being related to "Argument or Abuse or Conflict" only when one of these more specific elements is not known. This change provides a more accurate and detailed picture of homicidal violence and reduces the number of victims described with "Argument or Abuse or Conflict."

A fourth change is to the reporting of the suicide characteristic "Problem with Other Substances."⁷ In the past this characteristic referenced suicide victims who were reported as having a problem with other substances, such as heroin or cocaine; this report adds suicide victims who had a positive postmortem test for cocaine who were not otherwise reported with a substance abuse problem.⁸ This change takes advantage of toxicology data and is consistent with the practice in the substance abuse field that any cocaine usage constitutes a problem. The new schema increases the number of victims reported as having a problem with other substances.

A final change regards the tabulation of method of fatal injury. One method of fatal injury per victim was counted in previous reports. In this report every method of fatal injury that contributes to death is counted. For example, a suicide victim who overdoses on medication and uses a sharp instrument to commit suicide is assigned both "Poison" and "Sharp Instrument." Less than 1% of all violent death victims had more than one method of fatal injury.

As a surveillance project, the data collection and analysis standards for the VVDRS are routinely scrutinized and revised for the purposes of accuracy, comprehensive reporting, and consistency. The changes detailed in this section were made in this spirit. As this project evolves, changes will continue to be made to make the collection and reporting of data as accurate and useful as possible.

³ The types of violent death highlighted in this report are defined by the NVDRS. Therefore, the number of violent deaths presented in this report will differ from other mortality statistics published by the OCME, the Virginia Division of Health Statistics, and the CDC.

⁴ Available at <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/healthstats/stats.asp>.

⁵ Available at <http://factfinder.census.gov>. This source is used for population data on marital status and educational attainment.

⁶ Of course, victims who had a mental health problem of depression alone are reported to have this diagnosis.

⁷ In the NVDRS coding schema, a "Problem with Other Substances" refers to a substance abuse problem not related to alcohol.

⁸ An exception is made for victims who died from cocaine poisoning. For these victims, the positive postmortem test for cocaine will not automatically lead to coding "Problem with Other Substances." This exception assumes that a victim may have used cocaine for the sole purpose of committing suicide, which speaks to chosen method of fatal injury rather than substance abuse.

SECTION I:

Within the National Violent Death Reporting System, a violent death is defined as a death that results from the intentional use of physical force against oneself or another person or persons.

The persons using the force need only have intended to use force; they need not have intended to cause a death. The definition also includes deaths of an undetermined manner and deaths that result from unintentional firearm injuries. The only accidental deaths included in this definition are those that are caused by a firearm. Accidental deaths caused by motor vehicles, falls, and drowning, for example, are excluded.

Highlighted Findings

- In 2006 in Virginia, 1,405 people died from a NVDRS-defined violent death.
- Males were at a greater risk to die a violent death than females. The male violent death ratio (28.3) was more than triple the female ratio (8.7).
- Blacks comprised a smaller proportion of violent death victims (27.0%) than Whites (70.7%). However, the violent death ratio for Blacks (24.3) indicates a higher risk for violent death than Whites (17.5).
- Hispanics had a lower risk for violent death (11.9) compared with the overall population (18.4), the risk for Whites (17.5), and the risk for Blacks (24.3).
- The median age of violent death victims was 41 years. More victims were in the 45-54 year old age group (20.4%) than any other age group.
- The age groups at greatest risk for violent death were children under one year (33.9) and 20-24 year olds (30.2).
- More violent deaths resulted from suicide (63.7%) than any other violent death type. The risk for suicide (11.7) is more than double the risk for homicide (5.2).
- Firearms were the most common method of fatal injury used in violent death (57.8%).
- Among males, Blacks had the highest violent death risk (42.8) which exceeded the White male risk (25.6). For females, the highest level of risk shifted to Whites (9.6) whose ratio exceeded that for Black females (7.3) and all females (8.7).
- The differences in Black and White violent death ratios were more pronounced among males than females. The ratio for Black males (42.8) represented 17.2 more persons per 100,000 than the ratio for White males (25.6); the ratio for White females (9.6) represented 2.3 more persons per 100,000 than the ratio for Black females (7.3).
- Nearly all (92.5%) Virginia localities had at least one violent death and 15 localities had 20 or more violent deaths. Richmond City had the highest number (115) and risk (59.6) for violent death. The violent death ratio in Richmond City was nearly two times that of Norfolk City (30.1), which had the second highest ratio. Six localities that had 20 or more violent deaths also had a violent death ratio below the state average (18.4).
- The Central Medical Examiner District had a higher violent death ratio (21.4) than any other Medical Examiner District.
- With regard to Health Planning Region, the risk for violent death was highest in the Central (24.3), Southwest (21.0), and Eastern (20.4) areas of Virginia.
- Five Planning Districts (Cumberland Plateau, West Piedmont, Commonwealth Regional, Richmond Regional, and Northern Neck) had violent death ratios in excess of 24.0.
- Most fatal injuries occurred in or on the property immediately surrounding a house or apartment (67.0%).
- July saw a higher proportion of violent death injuries than any other month (9.7%). The fewest violent deaths injuries occurred in February (6.1%).
- Violent death injuries occurred most often between 10:01 p.m. and midnight (12.3%), and between 6:01 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. (11.6%). The lowest percentage of injuries occurred between 2:01 a.m. and 4:00 a.m. (5.4%), and 4:01 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. (4.9%).
- Violent deaths occurred most often on Fridays (15.2%).

Table 1. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Violent Death Victims in Virginia: 2006

	No.	%	Ratio ¹
Sex			
Male	1,064	75.7	28.3
Female	339	24.1	8.7
Unknown	2	0.1	-
Race			
White	993	70.7	17.5
Black	379	27.0	24.3
Asian	28	2.0	7.1
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	4	0.3	-
Unknown	1	0.1	-
Ethnicity²			
Hispanic	57	4.1	11.9
Age Group			
<1	35	2.5	33.9
1-4	11	0.8	2.7
5-9	4	0.3	0.8
10-14	7	0.5	1.4
15-19	79	5.6	15.0
20-24	162	11.5	30.2
25-34	228	16.2	21.8
35-44	253	18.0	21.5
45-54	287	20.4	25.2
55-64	158	11.2	18.9
65-74	88	6.3	18.5
75-84	67	4.8	22.3
85 and older	20	1.4	17.8
Unknown	6	0.4	-
Violent Death Type³			
Suicide	895	63.7	11.7
Homicide	401	28.5	5.2
Undetermined	80	5.7	1.0
Legal Intervention	15	1.1	0.2
Unintentional Firearm	14	1.0	0.2
Terrorism	0	0.0	0.0
Method of Fatal Injury⁴			
Firearm	812	57.8	-
Poison	186	13.2	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	176	12.5	-
Sharp Instrument	76	5.4	-
Blunt Instrument	27	1.9	-
Fall	24	1.7	-
Drowning	24	1.7	-
Personal Weapon	15	1.1	-
Motor Vehicle	9	0.6	-
Fire or Burn	9	0.6	-
Other Transport Vehicle	7	0.5	-
Shaking	5	0.4	-
Intentional Neglect	1	0.1	-
Non-powder Gun	1	0.1	-
Other	1	0.1	-
Unknown	49	3.5	-
TOTAL	1,405	100.0	18.4

¹Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. Virginia's population in 2006 was estimated at 7,642,884. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

²Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³Undetermined deaths occur when the medico-legal death and forensic investigations do not provide compelling evidence to indicate a clear manner of death.

⁴More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per violent death victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of violent deaths, nor sum to 100%.

Table 2. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Race and Sex: 2006

	Male			Female			Unknown			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
White	718	67.5	25.6	275	81.1	9.6	0	0.0	-	993	70.7	17.5
Black	320	30.1	42.8	59	17.4	7.3	0	0.0	-	379	27.0	24.3
Asian	23	2.2	12.2	5	1.5	2.5	0	0.0	-	28	2.0	7.1
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	3	0.3	-	0	0.0	-	1	50.0	-	4	0.3	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	1	50.0	-	1	0.1	-
TOTAL	1,064	100.0	28.3	339	100.0	8.7	2	100.0	-	1,405	100.0	18.4

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 3. Number of Violent Deaths for Virginia Localities with Twenty or More Violent Deaths: 2006

Locality	No.
Richmond City	115
Fairfax County	106
Virginia Beach City	84
Norfolk City	69
Henrico County	54
Prince William County	43
Chesterfield County	40
Newport News City	34
Chesapeake City	29
Hampton City	28
Loudoun County	28
Portsmouth City	27
Roanoke City	23
Arlington County	21
Suffolk City	21

These 15 localities accounted for 51.3% of all violent deaths in Virginia in 2006.

Table 4. Violent Death Ratios for Virginia Localities with Twenty or More Violent Deaths: 2006

Locality	Ratio ¹
Richmond City	59.6
Norfolk City	30.1
Portsmouth City	26.6
Suffolk City	25.9
Roanoke City	25.1
Hampton City	19.3
Virginia Beach City	19.3
Newport News City	19.1
Henrico County	19.0
VIRGINIA	18.4
Chesterfield County	13.5
Chesapeake City	13.1
Prince William County	12.0
Arlington County	10.5
Fairfax County	10.5
Loudoun County	10.4

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 5. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Selected Regions: 2006¹

	No.	%	Ratio ²
Medical Examiner District			
Central	438	31.2	21.4
Western	328	23.3	20.7
Tidewater	323	23.0	20.5
Northern	302	21.5	12.4
Unknown	14	1.0	-
Health Planning Region			
1. Northwest	204	14.5	17.3
2. Northern	229	16.3	11.1
3. Southwest	276	19.6	21.0
4. Central	316	22.5	24.3
5. Eastern	366	26.0	20.4
Unknown	14	1.0	-
Planning District³			
1. LENOWISCO	21	1.5	22.8
2. Cumberland Plateau	29	2.1	25.4
3. Mount Rogers	38	2.7	20.0
4. New River Valley	38	2.7	22.8
5. Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional	58	4.1	18.3
6. Central Shenandoah	52	3.7	19.2
7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional	43	3.1	20.4
8. Northern Virginia Regional	229	16.3	11.1
9. Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional	30	2.1	18.4
10. Thomas Jefferson	30	2.1	13.5
11. Region 2000	38	2.7	15.9
12. West Piedmont	62	4.4	25.0
13. Southside	20	1.4	23.1
14. Commonwealth Regional	21	1.5	24.9
15. Richmond Regional	234	16.7	24.8
16. George Washington Regional	49	3.5	15.8
17. Northern Neck	14	1.0	27.6
18. Middle Peninsula	13	0.9	14.3
19. Crater	80	5.7	17.1
22. Accomack-Northampton	11	0.8	20.8
23. Hampton Roads	335	23.8	20.4
Unknown	14	1.0	-
TOTAL	1,405	100.0	18.4

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SECTION II:

Within the National Violent Death Reporting System, a suicide is a death that results from the intentional use of force against oneself.

A preponderance of evidence should indicate that force was used intentionally.

Highlighted Findings

- In 2006 there were 895 deaths due to suicide in Virginia.
- The median age of suicide victims was 47 years. Persons ages 45-54 made up the largest percentage of suicide victims (24.2%) and had the greatest risk (19.0%) of any age group. The next highest risk was for persons ages 75-84 (18.0%), who comprised 6.0% of victims.
- The three most common methods of fatal injury were firearms (55.4%), poison (18.7%), and hanging or strangulation or suffocation (18.0%).
- Among victims who committed suicide by overdosing on medication, prescription drugs were used by 84.8%. Common prescription drug types used included opiates (49.7%), such as morphine and oxycodone, and antidepressants (40.7%), such as citalopram.
- Suicide ratios for White males (20.6) and males ages 85 and older (49.9) exceeded the overall ratio of 11.7; White males ages 85 and older had a suicide ratio of 55.9. The suicide ratio for White males was nearly fifteen times the ratio for Black females (1.4).
- An education beyond high school is associated with a lower suicide risk (9.4) than having a high school education (24.5), some high school education but no diploma (20.3), and no high school education (20.4).
- Marriage provides some protection against suicide, especially for males. Married persons had a suicide risk (11.5) lower than divorced (29.0) or separated (14.3) persons, and the overall ratio (14.5). Widowed males had three times the risk (55.7) of married males (16.5); widowed females (6.6) and married females (6.3) were nearly identical. Divorce had a similar impact on males and females, more than doubling the risk for suicide over their married counterparts.
- Mental health problems were noted for 56.2% of suicide victims. Many (40.0%) suicide victims received mental health treatment in the two months preceding their death.
- A life crisis, such as a recent divorce or job loss, often preceded a suicide. One-third of victims (32.8%) had a crisis within two weeks of the suicide event.
- A prior suicide attempt had been made by 19.3% of victims. Persons with a prior attempt used poison (37.5%) more often than a firearm (30.4%) in the completed suicide; those with no prior attempt used a firearm (61.0%) more often than poison (14.2%).
- Females had a previous suicide attempt (29.3%) more frequently than males (16.0%). Females with a prior attempt most commonly used poison (47.6%) in the completed suicide, while females without a prior attempt more often used a firearm (41.4%).
- Half (49.7%) of suicide victims foreshadowed their suicide by disclosing their intent to commit suicide, expressing suicidal ideation, or having a history of suicide attempts.
- Physical health problems were a factor in nearly one-fourth (23.0%) of all suicides and in the majority (57.2%) of suicides committed by persons ages 65 and older.
- Among Health Planning Regions, suicide ratios were highest in Southwest Virginia (15.4).
- Nearly one in five victims (19.0%) had a blood alcohol content (BAC) at or above .08 at the time of their death. A BAC at or above .08 is the legal measure of intoxication.
- Suicides most commonly occurred in July (11.2%) and least often in February (5.3%).

Table 6. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia: 2006

	No.	%	Ratio ¹
Sex			
Male	676	75.5	18.0
Female	219	24.5	5.6
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Race			
White	781	87.3	13.8
Black	94	10.5	6.0
Asian	19	2.1	4.8
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	1	0.1	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²			
Hispanic	26	2.9	5.4
Age Group			
<1	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	0.0
10-14	3	0.3	0.6
15-19	35	3.9	6.6
20-24	80	8.9	14.9
25-34	122	13.6	11.6
35-44	165	18.4	14.0
45-54	217	24.2	19.0
55-64	128	14.3	15.3
65-74	73	8.2	15.4
75-84	54	6.0	18.0
85 and older	18	2.0	16.1
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Method of Fatal Injury³			
Firearm	496	55.4	-
Poison	167	18.7	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	161	18.0	-
Sharp Instrument	16	1.8	-
Blunt Instrument	0	0.0	-
Fall	23	2.6	-
Drowning	16	1.8	-
Personal Weapon	0	0.0	-
Motor Vehicle	6	0.7	-
Fire or Burn	5	0.6	-
Other Transport Vehicle	6	0.7	-
Shaking	0	0.0	-
Intentional Neglect	0	0.0	-
Non-powder Gun	1	0.1	-
Other	1	0.1	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	895	100.0	11.7

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per suicide victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of suicides, nor sum to 100%.

Table 7. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Race and Sex: 2006

	Male			Female			Unknown			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
White	577	85.4	20.6	204	93.2	7.1	0	0.0	-	781	87.3	13.8
Black	83	12.3	11.1	11	5.0	1.4	0	0.0	-	94	10.5	6.0
Asian	15	2.2	7.9	4	1.8	2.0	0	0.0	-	19	2.1	4.8
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	1	0.1	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	1	0.1	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	676	100.0	18.0	219	100.0	5.6	0	0.0	-	895	100.0	11.7

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 8. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Ethnicity and Sex: 2006¹

	Male			Female			Unknown			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Hispanic	22	3.3	8.6	4	1.8	1.8	0	0.0	-	26	2.9	5.4
Non-Hispanic	654	96.7	18.7	215	98.2	5.9	0	0.0	-	869	97.1	12.1
TOTAL	676	100.0	18.0	219	100.0	5.6	0	0.0	-	895	100.0	11.7

¹ Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

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Table 9. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Selected Race/Sex and Age Groups: 2006

	Male						Female					
	White			Black			White			Black		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
<1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
10-14	2	0.3	1.1	1	1.2	1.6	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
15-19	21	3.6	11.0	8	9.6	12.1	5	2.5	2.8	1	9.1	1.5
20-24	52	9.0	25.7	14	16.9	21.6	8	3.9	4.4	3	27.3	5.1
25-34	72	12.5	18.9	14	16.9	13.2	28	13.7	7.6	1	9.1	0.9
35-44	98	17.0	22.5	18	21.7	16.0	43	21.1	10.1	2	18.2	1.6
45-54	139	24.1	32.5	13	15.7	12.6	62	30.4	14.2	2	18.2	1.7
55-64	86	14.9	26.5	8	9.6	13.3	31	15.2	9.1	1	9.1	1.4
65-74	51	8.8	28.6	6	7.2	18.8	13	6.4	6.4	1	9.1	2.3
75-84	40	6.9	39.8	0	0.0	0.0	13	6.4	8.8	0	0.0	0.0
85 and older	16	2.8	55.9	1	1.2	21.4	1	0.5	1.5	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	577	100.0	20.6	83	100.0	11.1	204	100.0	7.1	11	100.0	1.4

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Table 10. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Level of Education Completed: 2006¹

	No.	%	Ratio ²
No High School	58	7.5	20.4
High School, No Diploma	93	12.0	20.3
High School	338	43.5	24.5
More than High School	277	35.6	9.4
Unknown	11	1.4	-
TOTAL	777	100.0	15.3

¹ Calculated for persons ages 25 and over; High School includes persons earning a General Educational Development (GED).

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 11. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Marital Status: 2006¹

	Male			Female			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Married	265	39.4	16.5	98	44.7	6.3	363	40.7	11.5
Not Married / Separated	405	60.2	29.1	121	55.3	7.6	526	59.0	17.6
<i>Separated</i>	19	2.8	24.8	6	2.7	6.1	25	2.8	14.3
<i>Divorced</i>	122	18.1	48.0	51	23.3	14.9	173	19.4	29.0
<i>Never Married</i>	223	33.1	22.6	44	20.1	5.2	267	29.9	14.5
<i>Widowed</i>	41	6.1	55.7	20	9.1	6.6	61	6.8	16.1
Unknown	3	0.4	-	0	0.0	-	3	0.3	-
TOTAL	673	100.0	22.5	219	100.0	6.9	892	100.0	14.5

¹ Calculated for persons ages 15 and over.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 12. Selected Characteristics of Suicide in Virginia: 2006
(Number and Percentage; N=870)^{1,2}

Mental Health Characteristics	No.	%
Current Mental Health Problem	489	56.2
Diagnosis of Depression	367	42.2
Diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder	58	6.7
Diagnosis of Anxiety Disorder	50	5.7
Diagnosis of Schizophrenia	27	3.1
Mental Health Treatment ³	388	44.6
<i>Current Mental Health Treatment</i>	348	40.0
<i>Noncurrent Mental Health Treatment</i>	40	4.6
Substance Use Characteristics		
Problem with Alcohol and/or Other Substances ⁴	249	28.6
<i>Problem with Alcohol</i>	91	10.5
<i>Problem with Other Substances</i>	110	12.6
<i>Problem with both Alcohol and Other Substances</i>	48	5.5
Relationship Characteristics		
Intimate Partner Problem	305	35.1
Non-intimate Partner Relationship Problem	77	8.9
Perpetrator of Interpersonal Violence within Past Month	58	6.7
Victim of Interpersonal Violence within Past Month	7	0.8
Death of Family Member or Friend within Past Five Years	40	4.6
Suicide of Family Member or Friend within Past Five Years	11	1.3
Life Stressor Characteristics		
Physical Health Problem	200	23.0
Financial Problem	96	11.0
Job Problem	86	9.9
Recent Criminal Legal Problem	85	9.8
Noncriminal Legal Problem	24	2.8
School Problem	6	0.7
Event Characteristics		
Disclosed Intent to Commit Suicide ⁵	342	39.3
Current Depressed Mood	313	36.0
Crisis within Two Weeks of the Suicide	285	32.8
Left a Suicide Note	275	31.6
History of Suicide Attempt	168	19.3

¹ More than one characteristic may be noted for each victim. Characteristics will not sum to the total number of victims with known characteristics, nor sum to 100%. Percentages are based on the number of suicides where characteristics are known.

² For complete descriptions of these characteristics, see pages 7-3 through 7-31 of the NVDRS Coding Manual at: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/pub-res/nvdrs-coding/VS2/NVDRS%20Coding%20Manual%20Full.pdf>.

³ Treatment is current if received within the two months preceding the suicide and noncurrent if received at some point in the past, but not within the two months preceding the suicide.

⁴ Beginning with the 2006 report, suicide victims who had a positive cocaine test, but did not die from cocaine poisoning, were included as having a Problem with Other Substances.

⁵ Beginning with the 2006 database, cases where the victim was reported to have suicidal ideation were systematically noted as a dimension of disclosing intent. Of the 342 victims reported here, 133 were noted with suicidal ideation.

Table 13. Selected Characteristics of Suicide in Virginia by Age Group: 2006 (Percentage; N=870)^{1,2}

	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85 and older	All Ages
	n=3	n=32	n=77	n=118	n=163	n=214	n=125	n=69	n=51	n=18	n=870
Mental Health Characteristics											
Current Mental Health Problem	66.7	40.6	40.3	61.9	55.2	60.7	64.8	50.7	52.9	38.9	56.2
Diagnosis of Depression	66.7	21.9	23.4	49.2	39.3	47.2	52.8	36.2	41.2	27.8	42.2
Diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder	0.0	9.4	6.5	4.2	11.0	8.4	4.8	4.3	0.0	0.0	6.7
Diagnosis of Anxiety Disorder	0.0	0.0	2.6	5.1	8.6	6.5	6.4	4.3	5.9	0.0	5.7
Diagnosis of Schizophrenia	0.0	0.0	6.5	1.7	3.1	5.1	1.6	2.9	0.0	0.0	3.1
Mental Health Treatment ³	66.7	34.4	32.5	43.2	49.7	50.5	51.2	39.1	31.4	16.7	44.6
<i>Current Mental Health Treatment</i>	0.0	31.3	22.1	38.1	45.4	44.9	48.8	37.7	31.4	16.7	40.0
<i>Noncurrent Mental Health Treatment</i>	66.7	3.1	10.4	5.1	4.3	5.6	2.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	4.6
Substance Use Characteristics											
Problem with Alcohol and/or Other Substances ⁴	0.0	31.3	27.3	38.1	39.9	31.3	21.6	15.9	5.9	0.0	28.6
<i>Problem with Alcohol</i>	0.0	0.0	6.5	6.8	9.2	15.9	14.4	11.6	5.9	0.0	10.5
<i>Problem with Other Substances</i>	0.0	25.0	13.0	22.9	20.9	10.3	4.8	4.3	0.0	0.0	12.6
<i>Problem with both Alcohol and Other Substances</i>	0.0	6.3	7.8	8.5	9.8	5.1	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.5
Relationship Characteristics											
Intimate Partner Problem	0.0	31.3	44.2	58.5	49.1	33.2	21.6	15.9	3.9	5.6	35.1
Non-intimate Partner Relationship Problem	0.0	40.6	6.5	10.2	7.4	9.3	7.2	5.8	2.0	5.6	8.9
Perpetrator of Interpersonal Violence within Past Month	0.0	6.3	11.7	5.9	9.2	7.5	4.0	4.3	0.0	5.6	6.7
Victim of Interpersonal Violence within Past Month	0.0	3.1	2.6	0.0	1.2	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Death of Family Member or Friend within Past Five Years	0.0	6.3	2.6	0.8	3.1	3.3	4.8	14.5	5.9	22.2	4.6
Suicide of Family Member or Friend within Past Five Years	0.0	3.1	2.6	0.8	1.2	0.5	0.8	2.9	2.0	0.0	1.3
Life Stressor Characteristics											
Physical Health Problem	0.0	0.0	3.9	6.8	11.7	23.8	32.0	44.9	70.6	66.7	23.0
Financial Problem	0.0	0.0	5.2	11.9	9.8	11.7	24.0	8.7	2.0	0.0	11.0
Job Problem	0.0	3.1	7.8	11.9	10.4	12.1	15.2	1.4	3.9	0.0	9.9
Recent Criminal Legal Problem	0.0	15.6	10.4	16.1	11.0	11.7	4.8	5.8	0.0	0.0	9.8
Noncriminal Legal Problem	0.0	6.3	3.9	5.9	2.5	2.3	1.6	1.4	0.0	0.0	9.8
School Problem	33.3	12.5	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7
Event Characteristics											
Disclosed Intent to Commit Suicide ⁵	100.0	62.5	28.6	36.4	39.9	37.9	48.0	30.4	33.3	55.6	39.3
Current Depressed Mood	0.0	40.6	24.7	35.6	34.4	35.5	41.6	39.1	39.2	44.4	36.0
Crisis within Two Weeks of the Suicide	33.3	50.0	39.0	43.2	39.3	29.0	22.4	20.3	31.4	16.7	32.8
Left a Suicide Note	33.3	31.3	22.1	28.0	22.1	36.9	38.4	36.2	33.3	50.0	31.6
History of Suicide Attempt	33.3	25.0	26.0	22.0	23.9	21.5	15.2	10.1	3.9	0.0	19.3

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Table 14. Number of Suicides for Virginia Localities with Twenty or More Suicides: 2006

Locality	No.
Fairfax County	80
Virginia Beach City	61
Henrico County	43
Chesterfield County	32
Prince William County	28
Norfolk City	27
Richmond City	27
Loudoun County	21

These eight localities accounted for 35.6% of all suicides in Virginia in 2006.

Table 15. Suicide Ratios for Virginia Localities with Twenty or More Suicides: 2006

Locality	Ratio ¹
Henrico County	15.1
Virginia Beach City	14.0
Richmond City	14.0
Norfolk City	11.8
VIRGINIA	11.7
Chesterfield County	10.8
Fairfax County	7.9
Prince William County	7.8
Loudoun County	7.8

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 16. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Selected Regions: 2006¹

	No.	%	Ratio ²
Medical Examiner District			
Central	263	29.4	12.9
Western	244	27.3	15.4
Tidewater	168	18.8	10.6
Northern	219	24.5	9.0
Unknown	1	0.1	-
Health Planning Region			
1. Northwest	154	17.2	13.1
2. Northern	164	18.3	8.0
3. Southwest	203	22.7	15.4
4. Central	173	19.3	13.3
5. Eastern	200	22.3	11.2
Unknown	1	0.1	-
Planning District³			
1. LENOWISCO	18	2.0	19.5
2. Cumberland Plateau	25	2.8	21.9
3. Mount Rogers	30	3.4	15.8
4. New River Valley	28	3.1	16.8
5. Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional	39	4.4	12.3
6. Central Shenandoah	41	4.6	15.1
7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional	33	3.7	15.6
8. Northern Virginia Regional	164	18.3	8.0
9. Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional	22	2.5	13.5
10. Thomas Jefferson	24	2.7	10.8
11. Region 2000	27	3.0	11.3
12. West Piedmont	41	4.6	16.5
13. Southside	14	1.6	16.2
14. Commonwealth Regional	17	1.9	20.2
15. Richmond Regional	124	13.9	13.1
16. George Washington Regional	34	3.8	11.0
17. Northern Neck	7	0.8	13.8
18. Middle Peninsula	11	1.2	12.1
19. Crater	49	5.5	10.5
22. Accomack-Northampton	4	0.4	7.6
23. Hampton Roads	185	20.7	11.3
Unknown	1	0.1	-
TOTAL	895	100.0	11.7

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Table 17. Presence of Alcohol and Selected Drugs at Death in Suicide Victims by Selected Traits in Virginia: 2006 (Percentage)^{1,2}

	Alcohol (BAC ≥ .08) ³	Cocaine	Opiates ⁴
Sex			
Male	20.4	15.6	18.8
Female	14.6	18.7	48.5
Race and Sex			
White	20.1	15.5	30.9
Male	21.6	15.0	21.0
Female	15.7	16.7	49.5
Black	12.1	23.4	13.3
Male	13.6	19.5	10.0
Female	0.0	50.0	40.0
Asian	11.8	0.0	0.0
Male	15.4	0.0	0.0
Female	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ethnicity⁵			
Hispanic	20.0	16.7	14.3
Age Group			
<1	-	-	-
1-4	-	-	-
5-9	-	-	-
10-14	0.0	0.0	0.0
15-19	11.4	10.0	20.0
20-24	22.7	17.1	8.8
25-34	25.9	24.5	26.4
35-44	21.4	20.6	31.9
45-54	21.7	18.1	32.6
55-64	19.0	0.0	29.4
65-74	10.0	0.0	42.9
75-84	3.8	0.0	37.5
85 and older	5.6	0.0	0.0
Unknown	-	-	-
Method of Fatal Injury			
Firearm	20.9	10.4	7.3
Poison	16.4	21.3	57.4
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	17.6	22.0	5.8
Sharp Instrument	6.7	0.0	22.2
Blunt Instrument	-	-	-
Fall	27.3	12.5	0.0
Drowning	0.0	0.0	10.0
Personal Weapon	-	-	-
Motor Vehicle	20.0	33.3	0.0
Fire or Burn	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Transport Vehicle	40.0	-	-
Shaking	-	-	-
Intentional Neglect	-	-	-
Non-powder Gun	0.0	-	-
Other	0.0	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-
Location Where Injured			
Motor Vehicle	25.4	46.7	22.2
Street or Road	28.6	0.0	0.0
House or Apartment	19.1	15.2	28.7
TOTAL	19.0	16.6	28.1

¹ Percentages are based upon the number of victims who were tested for each substance.

² The symbol – indicates when testing for this substance was absent or when a trait is not applicable.

³ BAC stands for blood alcohol content. A BAC at or above .08 is the legal standard for intoxication in Virginia.

⁴ Opiates may have been obtained by prescription or illicit means.

⁵ Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

SECTION III:

Within the National Violent Death Reporting System, a homicide is a death resulting from the intentional use of force against another person or persons.

A preponderance of evidence must indicate that the use of force was intentional. This definition of homicide does not include legal interventions by police officers, judicial executions, and unintentional firearm deaths.

Highlighted Findings

- In 2006, 401 persons died as a result of homicide in Virginia.
- The median age of all homicide victims was 31 years.
- A firearm was used in the majority of homicides (69.8%) followed by a sharp instrument (15.0%) and blunt instrument (6.0%).
- Black males had the highest risk of homicide (27.8) of any race/sex grouping; the lowest risk among race/sex groupings was for White females (1.8).
- The greatest risk for homicide as an adult occurred between the ages of 20-24. For this age group, the risk for Black males (74.2) is more than five times that for Black females (13.5), more than 11 times that for White males (6.4), more than 14 times the overall risk in Virginia (5.2), and more than 19 times that for White females (3.9).
- Persons with an education beyond high school had a homicide risk (1.8) lower than those with no high school education (10.2), some high school education without a diploma (13.3) or a high school education (8.1).
- Marriage appears to lend protection against homicide. The homicide risk for persons not married/separated (9.1) was nearly triple the risk for those currently married (3.1), who had a ratio below the overall comparative population (6.1). This marriage protection is selective, however. Males who were not married or who were separated had about four times the risk for homicide as married males (16.3 compared to 4.1); females who were not married or who were separated had a much smaller increase in risk (2.8) compared to married females (2.2).
- Violence or conflict between current or former intimate partners and intimate partner jealousy or rivalry was a factor in over one-quarter (28.3%) of all homicides. Females were more often killed by a current or former intimate partner (40.4%) than males (4.2%). Black females were killed by an intimate partner (44.7%) more often than White females (37.3%).
- A crime (such as robbery) precipitated or was a possible motive for many homicides (29.8%).
- Females were more often killed by someone they knew (79.8%) than were males (47.1%).
- Richmond City had more homicides (82) than any other locality, and a homicide ratio (42.5) more than three times that of Norfolk City (13.1), the locality with the second highest ratio.
- Cocaine use was tested in 92.3% of all homicide victims; 16.8% of those tested were positive for this substance. Cocaine was most commonly found in persons ages 25-54 years (27.7%) and Black females (25.7%).
- Homicidal injuries most frequently occurred inside or immediately outside of a house or apartment (52.1%).
- While homicides occurred at all times of the day and night, they most commonly occurred between the hours of 10:01 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. (35.6%).

Table 18. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia: 2006

	No.	%	Ratio ¹
Sex			
Male	312	77.8	8.3
Female	89	22.2	2.3
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Race			
White	149	37.2	2.6
Black	246	61.3	15.8
Asian	5	1.2	1.3
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	1	0.2	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²			
Hispanic	25	6.2	5.2
Age Group			
<1	13	3.2	12.6
1-4	9	2.2	2.2
5-9	2	0.5	0.4
10-14	3	0.7	0.6
15-19	38	9.5	7.2
20-24	78	19.5	14.6
25-34	89	22.2	8.5
35-44	68	17.0	5.8
45-54	53	13.2	4.6
55-64	27	6.7	3.2
65-74	11	2.7	2.3
75-84	8	2.0	2.7
85 and older	2	0.5	1.8
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Method of Fatal Injury³			
Firearm	280	69.8	-
Poison	6	1.5	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	14	3.5	-
Sharp Instrument	60	15.0	-
Blunt Instrument	24	6.0	-
Fall	0	0.0	-
Drowning	0	0.0	-
Personal Weapon	15	3.7	-
Motor Vehicle	1	0.2	-
Fire or Burn	3	0.7	-
Other Transport Vehicle	0	0.0	-
Shaking	5	1.2	-
Intentional Neglect	1	0.2	-
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	-
Other	0	0.0	-
Unknown	6	1.5	-
TOTAL	401	100.0	5.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per homicide victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of homicides, nor sum to 100%.

Table 19. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia by Race and Sex: 2006

	Male			Female			Unknown			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
White	98	31.4	3.5	51	57.3	1.8	0	0.0	-	149	37.2	2.6
Black	208	66.7	27.8	38	42.7	4.7	0	0.0	-	246	61.3	15.8
Asian	5	1.6	2.6	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	-	5	1.2	1.3
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	1	0.3	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	1	0.2	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	312	100.0	8.3	89	100.0	2.3	0	0.0	-	401	100.0	5.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 20. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia by Ethnicity and Sex: 2006¹

	Male			Female			Unknown			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Hispanic	20	6.4	7.8	5	5.6	2.2	0	0.0	-	25	6.2	5.2
Non-Hispanic	292	93.6	8.3	84	94.4	2.3	0	0.0	-	376	93.8	5.2
TOTAL	312	100.0	8.3	89	100.0	2.3	0	0.0	-	401	100.0	5.2

¹ Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 21. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia by Selected Race/Sex and Age Groups: 2006

	Male						Female					
	White			Black			White			Black		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
<1	3	3.1	8.1	6	2.9	48.3	4	7.8	11.3	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	2	2.0	1.4	3	1.4	6.1	3	5.9	2.2	1	2.6	2.1
5-9	1	1.0	0.6	0	0.0	0.0	1	2.0	0.6	0	0.0	0.0
10-14	0	0.0	0.0	3	1.4	4.8	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
15-19	8	8.2	4.2	26	12.5	39.2	1	2.0	0.6	3	7.9	4.6
20-24	13	13.3	6.4	48	23.1	74.2	7	13.7	3.9	8	21.1	13.5
25-34	20	20.4	5.3	55	26.4	51.7	7	13.7	1.9	6	15.8	5.4
35-44	19	19.4	4.4	31	14.9	27.6	8	15.7	1.9	8	21.1	6.4
45-54	19	19.4	4.4	18	8.7	17.5	8	15.7	1.8	7	18.4	6.0
55-64	9	9.2	2.8	9	4.3	15.0	6	11.8	1.8	3	7.9	4.2
65-74	2	2.0	1.1	6	2.9	18.8	2	3.9	1.0	1	2.6	2.3
75-84	2	2.0	2.0	3	1.4	18.5	3	5.9	2.0	0	0.0	0.0
85 and older	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	2.0	1.5	1	2.6	8.5
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	98	100.0	3.5	208	100.0	27.8	51	100.0	1.8	38	100.0	4.7

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 22. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia by Level of Education Completed: 2006¹

	No.	%	Ratio ²
No High School	29	11.2	10.2
High School, No Diploma	61	23.6	13.3
High School	111	43.0	8.1
More than High School	52	20.2	1.8
Unknown	5	1.9	-
TOTAL	258	100.0	5.1

¹ Calculated for persons ages 25 and over; High School includes persons earning a General Educational Development (GED).

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 23. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia by Marital Status: 2006¹

	Male			Female			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Married	65	22.1	4.1	34	42.5	2.2	99	26.5	3.1
Not Married / Separated	227	77.2	16.3	45	56.3	2.8	272	72.7	9.1
<i>Separated</i>	2	0.7	2.6	1	1.3	1.0	3	0.8	1.7
<i>Divorced</i>	29	9.9	11.4	10	12.5	2.9	39	10.4	6.5
<i>Never Married</i>	187	63.6	18.9	30	37.5	3.5	217	58.0	11.8
<i>Widowed</i>	9	3.1	12.2	4	5.0	1.3	13	3.5	3.4
Unknown	2	0.7	-	1	1.3	-	3	0.8	-
TOTAL	294	100.0	9.8	80	100.0	2.5	374	100.0	6.1

¹ Calculated for persons ages 15 and over.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

Table 24. Selected Characteristics of Homicide in Virginia: 2006
(Number and Percentage; N=329)^{1,2}

Event Characteristics	No.	%
Argument or Abuse or Conflict ³	125	38.0
Precipitated by Another Crime	98	29.8
Drug Related	82	24.9
Intimate Partner Violence Related	68	20.7
Intimate Partner Jealousy or Rivalry	25	7.6
Argument over Money or Property	22	6.7
Gang Related	9	2.7
Justifiable Self-defense	7	2.1
Drive-by Shooting	6	1.8
Mentally Ill Suspect	5	1.5
Mutual Physical Fight	4	1.2
Hate Crime	1	0.3
Mercy Killing	1	0.3
Random Violence	0	0.0
Terrorist Attack	0	0.0
Victim Characteristics		
Used a Weapon	36	10.9
Bystander	8	2.4
Police Officer on Duty	4	1.2
Intervened to Assist a Crime Victim	2	0.6

¹ More than one characteristic may be noted for each victim. Characteristics will not sum to the total number of victims with known characteristics, nor sum to 100%. Percentages are based on the number of homicides where characteristics are known.

² For complete descriptions of these characteristics, see pages 8-3 through 8-22 of the NVDRS Coding Manual at: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/pub-res/nvdrs-coding/VS2/NVDRS%20Coding%20Manual%20Full.pdf>.

³ Beginning with the 2006 report, homicides coded as Argument or Abuse or Conflict are reported only when Intimate Partner Violence Related, Argument over Money or Property, and Intimate Partner Jealousy or Rivalry are not also endorsed. This is consistent with the NVDRS coding schema. Argument or Abuse or Conflict includes any incident where a caretaker inflicts a fatal injury upon a child or elder under their care.

Table 25. Selected Characteristics of Homicide in Virginia by Age Group: 2006 (Percentage; N=329)^{1,2}

	<1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85 and older	All Ages
	n=10	n=9	n=2	n=2	n=33	n=69	n=72	n=56	n=45	n=20	n=6	n=4	n=1	n=329
Event Characteristics														
Argument or Abuse or Conflict ³	100.0	77.8	50.0	50.0	39.4	33.3	43.1	26.8	33.3	25.0	66.7	0.0	0.0	38.0
Precipitated by Another Crime	0.0	11.1	50.0	0.0	36.4	24.6	38.9	33.9	28.9	25.0	16.7	25.0	0.0	29.8
Drug Related	0.0	22.2	0.0	50.0	27.3	42.0	23.6	16.1	24.4	15.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	24.9
Intimate Partner Violence Related	0.0	11.1	0.0	50.0	12.1	14.5	15.3	35.7	31.1	25.0	0.0	25.0	100.0	20.7
Intimate Partner Jealousy or Rivalry	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	11.6	8.3	10.7	8.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.6
Argument over Money or Property	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1	5.8	6.9	7.1	4.4	15.0	0.0	25.0	0.0	6.7
Gang Related	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1	4.3	4.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7
Justifiable Self-defense	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	1.4	4.2	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1
Drive-by Shooting	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	1.4	2.8	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8
Mentally Ill Suspect	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	4.4	5.0	0.0	25.0	0.0	1.5
Mutual Physical Fight	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	1.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2
Hate Crime	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Mercy Killing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.0	0.0	0.3
Victim Characteristics														
Used a Weapon	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.1	11.6	8.3	23.2	6.7	5.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	10.9
Bystander	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	2.8	1.8	2.2	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	2.4
Police Officer on Duty	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	3.6	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2
Intervened to Assist a Crime Victim	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6

¹ More than one characteristic may be noted for each victim. Characteristics will not sum to 100%. Percentages are based on the number of homicides where characteristics are known. Characteristics from Table 24 that were not reflected in at least one case are excluded from this table.

² For complete descriptions of these characteristics, see pages 8-3 through 8-22 of the NVDRS Coding Manual at: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/pub-res/nvdrs-coding/V2/NVDRS%20Coding%20Manual%20Full.pdf>.

³ Beginning with the 2006 report, homicides coded as Argument or Abuse or Conflict are reported only when Intimate Partner Violence Related, Argument over Money or Property, and Intimate Partner Jealousy or Rivalry are not also endorsed. This is consistent with the NVDRS coding schema. Argument or Abuse or Conflict includes any incident where a caretaker inflicts a fatal injury upon a child or elder under their care.

Table 26. Relationship Between Homicide Victim and Suspect by Gender in Virginia: 2006¹

	Male		Female		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Friends/Acquaintances	43	13.8	8	9.0	51	12.7
Acquaintance	24	7.7	5	5.6	29	7.2
Friend	12	3.8	1	1.1	13	3.2
Coworker	3	1.0	1	1.1	4	1.0
Roommate	3	1.0	0	0.0	3	0.7
Babysitree	1	0.3	1	1.1	2	0.5
Intimate Partner	13	4.2	36	40.4	49	12.2
Current Spouse	3	1.0	16	18.0	19	4.7
Current Girlfriend or Boyfriend	9	2.9	10	11.2	19	4.7
Ex-girlfriend or Ex-boyfriend	1	0.3	5	5.6	6	1.5
Girlfriend or Boyfriend, unspecified	0	0.0	3	3.4	3	0.7
Ex-spouse	0	0.0	2	2.2	2	0.5
Family Members	28	9.0	13	14.6	41	10.2
Child	11	3.5	2	2.2	13	3.2
Parent	5	1.6	4	4.5	9	2.2
Other Family Member (Uncle, etc.)	5	1.6	3	3.4	8	2.0
In-law	3	1.0	1	1.1	4	1.0
Sibling	2	0.6	1	1.1	3	0.7
Grandparent	1	0.3	1	1.1	2	0.5
Grandchild	0	0.0	1	1.1	1	0.2
Stepparent	1	0.3	0	0.0	1	0.2
Intimate Partner Related	4	1.3	2	2.2	6	1.5
Child of Suspect's Boy/Girlfriend	3	1.0	2	2.2	5	1.2
Intimate Partner of Suspect's Parent	1	0.3	0	0.0	1	0.2
Other Persons	59	18.9	12	13.5	71	17.7
Other Person Known to Suspect	38	12.2	7	7.9	45	11.2
Stranger	16	5.1	4	4.5	20	5.0
Law Enforcement Officer Injured on the Job	3	1.0	1	1.1	4	1.0
Rival Gang Member	2	0.6	0	0.0	2	0.5
No Information Known	165	52.9	18	20.2	183	45.6
Unknown Relationship	108	34.6	10	11.2	118	29.4
No Identified Suspects	57	18.3	8	9.0	65	16.2
TOTAL	312	100.0	89	100.0	401	100.0

¹ The following sentence is the best guide to understand the appropriate description of the relationship: The victim is the ____ of the suspect(s).

Table 27. Number of Homicides for Virginia Localities with Twenty or More Homicides: 2006

Locality	No.
Richmond City	82
Norfolk City	30
Fairfax County	21
Newport News City	20

These four localities accounted for 38.1% of all homicides in Virginia in 2006.

Table 28. Homicide Ratios for Virginia Localities with Twenty or More Homicides: 2006

Locality	Ratio ¹
Richmond City	42.5
Norfolk City	13.1
Newport News City	11.2
VIRGINIA	5.2
Fairfax County	2.1

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 29. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia by Selected Regions: 2006¹

	No.	%	Ratio ²
Medical Examiner District			
Central	146	36.4	7.1
Western	60	15.0	3.8
Tidewater	127	31.7	8.0
Northern	63	15.7	2.6
Unknown	5	1.2	-
Health Planning Region			
1. Northwest	39	9.7	3.3
2. Northern	49	12.2	2.4
3. Southwest	51	12.7	3.9
4. Central	124	30.9	9.5
5. Eastern	133	33.2	7.4
Unknown	5	1.2	-
Planning District³			
1. LENOWISCO	0	0.0	0.0
2. Cumberland Plateau	3	0.7	2.6
3. Mount Rogers	7	1.7	3.7
4. New River Valley	6	1.5	3.6
5. Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional	15	3.7	4.7
6. Central Shenandoah	9	2.2	3.3
7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional	8	2.0	3.8
8. Northern Virginia Regional	49	12.2	2.4
9. Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional	6	1.5	3.7
10. Thomas Jefferson	5	1.2	2.3
11. Region 2000	6	1.5	2.5
12. West Piedmont	16	4.0	6.4
13. Southside	3	0.7	3.5
14. Commonwealth Regional	1	0.2	1.2
15. Richmond Regional	99	24.7	10.5
16. George Washington Regional	11	2.7	3.6
17. Northern Neck	4	1.0	7.9
18. Middle Peninsula	1	0.2	1.1
19. Crater	26	6.5	5.6
22. Accomack-Northampton	7	1.7	13.2
23. Hampton Roads	121	30.2	7.4
Unknown	5	1.2	-
TOTAL	401	100.0	5.2

¹ See Appendix C for a listing of localities in Virginia's Medical Examiner Districts, Health Planning Regions, and Planning Districts.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

³ Chesterfield County is a member of Planning District 15 and Planning District 19, Gloucester County is a member of Planning District 18 and Planning District 23, Franklin County is a member of Planning District 5 and Planning District 12, and Surry County is a member of Planning District 19 and Planning District 23; deaths that occurred in these counties are reported in both of their Planning Districts. Nottoway County is not a member of a Planning District; deaths that occurred in Nottoway County are not reported in the Planning District section. Planning Districts numbers will not sum to the total number of violent deaths, nor sum to 100%.

Table 30. Presence of Alcohol and Selected Drugs at Death in Homicide Victims by Selected Traits in Virginia: 2006 (Percentage)^{1,2}

	Alcohol (BAC ≥ .08) ³	Cocaine	Opiates ⁴
Sex			
Male	25.8	17.2	4.2
Female	7.4	15.2	5.1
Race and Sex			
White	25.7	8.3	3.0
Male	34.0	9.0	2.2
Female	8.7	6.8	4.5
Black	19.8	21.6	5.3
Male	22.3	20.9	5.2
Female	5.7	25.7	5.9
Asian	20.0	20.0	0.0
Male	20.0	20.0	0.0
Female	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ethnicity⁵			
Hispanic	26.1	8.0	0.0
Age Group			
<1	9.1	0.0	0.0
1-4	0.0	0.0	0.0
5-9	0.0	0.0	0.0
10-14	0.0	0.0	0.0
15-19	13.9	0.0	0.0
20-24	19.7	7.8	3.9
25-34	27.9	26.4	4.8
35-44	22.7	28.1	6.3
45-54	28.0	29.8	4.3
55-64	32.0	4.8	4.5
65-74	9.1	0.0	0.0
75-84	12.5	0.0	28.6
85 and older	0.0	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-
Method of Fatal Injury			
Firearm	18.5	19.7	4.7
Poison	33.3	0.0	0.0
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	0.0	0.0	8.3
Sharp Instrument	40.7	12.3	1.8
Blunt Instrument	20.0	13.6	4.5
Fall	-	-	-
Drowning	-	-	-
Personal Weapon	26.7	13.3	6.7
Motor Vehicle	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fire or Burn	33.3	0.0	0.0
Other Transport Vehicle	-	-	-
Shaking	0.0	0.0	0.0
Intentional Neglect	-	-	-
Non-powder Gun	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
Unknown	40.0	0.0	0.0
Location Where Injured			
Motor Vehicle	24.1	13.5	0.0
Street or Road	19.0	24.6	5.0
House or Apartment	22.0	14.8	5.3
TOTAL	21.9	16.8	4.4

¹ Percentages are based upon the number of victims who were tested for each type of substance.

² The symbol – indicates when testing for this substance was absent or when a trait is not applicable.

³ BAC stands for blood alcohol content. A BAC at or above .08 is the legal standard for intoxication in Virginia.

⁴ Opiates may have been obtained by prescription or illicit means.

⁵ Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

SECTION IV:

Within the National Violent Death Reporting System, a legal intervention is a death where the decedent is killed by a police officer or other peace officer acting in the line of duty.

Peace officers are persons, including military police officers, with specified legal authority to use deadly force. Legal interventions do not include judicial executions.

Highlighted Findings

- All legal intervention victims (100.0%) were males between the ages of 18 and 48 years.
- Whites were the victims of legal intervention (66.7%) more frequently than Blacks (33.3%); however, the risk for Whites (0.2) was lower than the risk for Blacks (0.3).
- When sex and gender are considered together, the risk for Black males (0.7) was nearly two times the risk for White males (0.4).
- Higher levels of education are associated with reduced risks of violent death in a legal intervention. The highest ratio was for persons with less than high school education (0.7) and the lowest ratio was for persons with an education beyond high school (0.1).
- One-third of legal interventions (33.3%) occurred in the Hampton Roads Planning District.
- Legal intervention victims frequently tested positive for blood alcohol content above the legal limit (53.3%) and/or for cocaine (33.3%).

Table 31. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Legal Intervention Death Victims in Virginia: 2006

	No.	%	Ratio ¹
Sex			
Male	15	100.0	0.4
Female	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Race			
White	10	66.7	0.2
Black	5	33.3	0.3
Asian	0	0.0	0.0
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	0	0.0	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²			
Hispanic	2	13.3	0.4
Age Group			
<1	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	0.0
10-14	0	0.0	0.0
15-19	2	13.3	0.4
20-24	1	6.7	0.2
25-34	6	40.0	0.6
35-44	4	26.7	0.3
45-54	2	13.3	0.2
55-64	0	0.0	0.0
65-74	0	0.0	0.0
75-84	0	0.0	0.0
85 and older	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Level of Education Completed³			
No High School	2	16.7	0.7
High School, No Diploma	2	16.7	0.4
High School	5	41.7	0.4
More than High School	3	25.0	0.1
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Marital Status⁴			
Married	8	53.3	0.3
Not Married/Separated	7	46.7	0.2
<i>Separated</i>	0	0.0	0.0
<i>Divorced</i>	1	6.7	0.2
<i>Never Married</i>	6	40.0	0.3
<i>Widowed</i>	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	15	100.0	0.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ Calculated for persons ages 25 and over; High School includes persons earning a General Educational Development (GED).

⁴ Calculated for persons ages 15 and over.

SECTION V:

Within the National Violent Death Reporting System, unintentional firearm deaths result from a gunshot wound when there is a preponderance of evidence that the shooting was not intentionally directed at the victim or that there was no intention of self-harm.

A key element of an unintentional firearm death is that a firearm was not brandished with the intent to frighten, control, or harm anyone.

Highlighted Findings

- Males (100.0%) and Whites (64.3%) were the most common victims of unintentional firearm deaths. However, Blacks had a higher risk for unintentional firearm death (0.3) than Whites (0.2).
- Victims' ages varied widely, from seven to 44 years, with a median age of 26.5.
- Injuries were most commonly inflicted by a person other than the victim (64.3%).
- Unintentional firearm deaths most frequently occurred when the victim or someone else was playing with a firearm (28.6%), showing a firearm to others (21.4%), or hunting (21.4%).
- The most common mechanisms of injury involved handling a firearm that was thought to be unloaded (33.3%) and accidentally pulling the trigger (25.0%).
- More incidents occurred in the Central Medical Examiner District (42.9%) than in any other Medical Examiner District.

Table 32. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Unintentional Firearm Death Victims in Virginia: 2006

	No.	%	Ratio ¹
Sex			
Male	14	100.0	0.4
Female	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Race			
White	9	64.3	0.2
Black	5	35.7	0.3
Asian	0	0.0	0.0
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	0	0.0	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²			
Hispanic	0	0.0	0.0
Age Group			
<1	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	1	7.1	0.2
10-14	1	7.1	0.2
15-19	3	21.4	0.6
20-24	0	0.0	0.0
25-34	5	35.7	0.5
35-44	4	28.6	0.3
45-54	0	0.0	0.0
55-64	0	0.0	0.0
65-74	0	0.0	0.0
75-84	0	0.0	0.0
85 and older	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Level of Education Completed³			
No High School	1	11.1	0.4
High School, No Diploma	3	33.3	0.7
High School	2	22.2	0.1
More than High School	3	33.3	0.1
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Marital Status⁴			
Married	1	8.3	0.0
Not Married/Separated	11	91.7	0.4
<i>Separated</i>	0	0.0	0.0
<i>Divorced</i>	0	0.0	0.0
<i>Never Married</i>	11	91.7	0.6
<i>Widowed</i>	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Injury Caused by Self, Other, or Unknown			
Inflicted by Self	4	28.6	-
Inflicted by Other	9	64.3	-
Inflicted by Unknown	1	7.1	-
TOTAL	14	100.0	0.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ Calculated for persons ages 25 and over; High School includes persons earning a General Educational Development (GED).

⁴ Calculated for persons ages 15 and over.

Table 33. Selected Characteristics of Unintentional Firearm Deaths in Virginia: 2006 (Number and Percentage)^{1,2}

Context of Injury ³ (n=14)	No.	%
Playing with Firearm	4	28.6
Hunting	3	21.4
Showing Firearm to Others	3	21.4
Loading or Unloading Firearm	2	14.3
Celebratory Firing	0	0.0
Cleaning Firearm	0	0.0
Self-defensive Shooting	0	0.0
Target Shooting	0	0.0
Other Context of Injury ⁴	6	42.9
Mechanism of Injury ⁵ (n=12)		
Thought Firearm was Unloaded	4	33.3
Pulled Trigger Unintentionally	3	25.0
Firearm Defect or Malfunction	2	16.7
Dropped Firearm	1	8.3
Fired While Operating Safety or Lock	1	8.3
Fired While Holstering or Unholstering	0	0.0
Ricochet	0	0.0
Thought Firearm was a Toy	0	0.0
Thought Safety was Engaged	0	0.0
Other Mechanism of Injury ⁶	6	50.0

¹ More than one characteristic may be noted for each victim. Characteristics will not sum to the total number of victims with known characteristics, nor sum to 100%.

² For complete descriptions of these characteristics, see pages 9-4 through 9-9 of the NVDRS Coding Manual at: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/pub-res/nvdrs-coding/VS2/NVDRS%20Coding%20Manual%20Full.pdf>.

³ Percentages are based on the number of unintentional firearm deaths where a context was known.

⁴ Other Context of Injury includes sleeping with firearms, accidental discharges during law-enforcement investigations and field trainings, and accidents that occurred while a firearm was being used as a weapon to strike someone.

⁵ Percentages are based on the number of unintentional firearm deaths where a mechanism was known.

⁶ Other Mechanism of Injury includes incorrect positioning of a firearm that discharged without explanation, firearms that discharged while not being handled, and live ammunition being used in law-enforcement field trainings.

SECTION VI:

A child violent death is when the victim of any of the previously defined violent death types is under the age of 18.

Highlighted Findings

- In Virginia, 91 children died a violent death in 2006.
- Male children had a higher risk of violent death (7.3) than female children (2.7).
- Black children had a higher violent death risk (9.1) than White children (3.8) and all children (5.0).
- The median age of violent death child victims was four years; the mean age was just under eight years. Infants comprised the most common age group (38.5%) and had the highest risk (33.9).
- Children died from homicide more often (48.4%) than any other type of violent death.
- The homicide risk for Black children (5.9) was more than four times the risk for White children (1.4).
- Among children, males died more frequently from suicide (22.4%) than females (16.7%); males also died from homicide (50.7%) more commonly than females (41.7%).
- Homicide was the most common type of violent death for children ages 1-4 (81.8%), ages 5-9 (50.0%), and ages 15-17 (50.0%). Children ages 10-14 were victims of homicide and suicide in equal proportions (42.9%).
- A firearm was the method of fatal injury in 34.4% of child violent deaths. In general, firearm deaths became more common as child age increased.
- The child violent death ratio was higher in the Central Medical Examiner district (7.2) than in any other Medical Examiner District.

Table 34. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia: 2006

	No.	%	Ratio ¹
Sex			
Male	67	73.6	7.3
Female	24	26.4	2.7
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Race			
White	48	52.7	3.8
Black	40	44.0	9.1
Asian	3	3.3	3.2
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	0	0.0	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²			
Hispanic	5	5.5	3.3
Age Group			
<1	35	38.5	33.9
1-4	11	12.1	2.7
5-9	4	4.4	0.8
10-14	7	7.7	1.4
15-17	34	37.4	10.7
Violent Death Type			
Suicide	19	20.9	1.1
Homicide	44	48.4	2.4
Undetermined	26	28.6	1.4
Legal Intervention	0	0.0	0.0
Unintentional Firearm	2	2.2	0.1
Terrorism	0	0.0	0.0
Method of Fatal Injury³			
Firearm	31	34.1	-
Poison	7	7.7	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	9	9.9	-
Sharp Instrument	7	7.7	-
Blunt Instrument	4	4.4	-
Fall	0	0.0	-
Drowning	1	1.1	-
Personal Weapon	5	5.5	-
Motor Vehicle	0	0.0	-
Fire or Burn	1	1.1	-
Other Transport Vehicle	0	0.0	-
Shaking	5	5.5	-
Intentional Neglect	0	0.0	-
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	-
Other	0	0.0	-
Unknown	27	29.7	-
TOTAL	91	100.0	5.0

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per child violent death victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of child violent deaths, nor sum to 100%.

Table 35. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Selected Race and Violent Death Type: 2006

	White			Black			Asian			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Suicide	15	31.3	1.2	4	10.0	0.9	0	0.0	0.0	19	20.9	1.1
Homicide	18	37.5	1.4	26	65.0	5.9	0	0.0	0.0	44	48.4	2.4
Undetermined	14	29.2	1.1	9	22.5	2.1	3	100.0	3.2	26	28.6	1.4
Unintentional Firearm	1	2.1	0.1	1	2.5	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	2	2.2	0.1
TOTAL	48	100.0	3.8	40	100.0	9.1	3	100.0	3.2	91	100.0	5.0

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 36. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Sex and Violent Death Type: 2006

	Male			Female			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Suicide	15	22.4	1.6	4	16.7	0.5	19	20.9	1.1
Homicide	34	50.7	3.7	10	41.7	1.1	44	48.4	2.4
Undetermined	16	23.9	1.7	10	41.7	1.1	26	28.6	1.4
Unintentional Firearm	2	3.0	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	2	2.2	0.1
TOTAL	67	100.0	7.3	24	100.0	2.7	91	100.0	5.0

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.Table 37. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Ethnicity and Violent Death Type: 2006¹

	Hispanic			Non-Hispanic			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Suicide	0	0.0	0.0	19	22.1	1.1	19	20.9	1.1
Homicide	3	60.0	2.0	41	47.7	2.5	44	48.4	2.4
Undetermined	2	40.0	1.3	24	27.9	1.4	26	28.6	1.4
Unintentional Firearm	0	0.0	0.0	2	2.3	0.1	2	2.2	0.1
TOTAL	5	100.0	3.3	86	100.0	5.2	91	100.0	5.0

¹ Hispanic persons may be members of any race.² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 38. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Violent Death Type and Age Group: 2006

	<1			1-4			5-9			10-14			15-17			Total		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Suicide	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	3	42.9	0.6	16	47.1	5.1	19	20.9	1.1
Homicide	13	37.1	12.6	9	81.8	2.2	2	50.0	0.4	3	42.9	0.6	17	50.0	5.4	44	48.4	2.4
Undetermined	22	62.9	21.3	2	18.2	0.5	1	25.0	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	1	2.9	0.3	26	28.6	1.4
Unintentional Firearm	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	25.0	0.2	1	14.3	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	2	2.2	0.1
TOTAL	35	100.0	33.9	11	100.0	2.7	4	100.0	0.8	7	100.0	1.4	34	100.0	10.7	91	100.0	5.0

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 39. Number and Percent of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Method of Fatal Injury and Age Group: 2006¹

	<1		1-4		5-9		10-14		15-17		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Firearm	0	0.0	1	9.1	1	25.0	5	71.4	24	70.6	31	34.4
Poison	3	8.6	0	0.0	2	50.0	0	0.0	2	5.9	7	7.8
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	2	5.7	1	9.1	0	0.0	1	14.3	5	14.7	9	10.0
Sharp Instrument	0	0.0	2	18.2	1	25.0	1	14.3	3	8.8	7	7.8
Blunt Instrument	0	0.0	3	27.3	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	4.4
Fall	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Drowning	1	2.9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.1
Personal Weapon	1	2.9	4	36.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	5.6
Motor Vehicle	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Fire or Burn	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.1
Other Transport Vehicle	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Shaking	5	14.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	5.6
Intentional Neglect	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unknown	24	68.6	3	27.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	27	30.0
TOTAL	35	100.0	11	100.0	4	100.0	7	100.0	34	100.0	90	100.0

¹ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per child violent death. Methods of fatal injury may not sum to the total number of child violent deaths, nor sum to 100%.

Table 40. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Selected Regions: 2006¹

	No.	%	Ratio ²
Medical Examiner District			
Central	34	37.4	7.2
Western	7	7.7	2.1
Tidewater	25	27.5	6.2
Northern	23	25.3	3.8
Unknown	2	2.2	-
Health Planning Region			
1. Northwest	13	14.3	4.8
2. Northern	16	17.6	3.1
3. Southwest	6	6.6	2.2
4. Central	24	26.4	7.9
5. Eastern	30	33.0	6.7
Unknown	2	2.2	-
Planning District³			
1. LENOWISCO	0	0.0	0.0
2. Cumberland Plateau	0	0.0	0.0
3. Mount Rogers	0	0.0	0.0
4. New River Valley	1	1.1	3.4
5. Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional	3	3.3	4.4
6. Central Shenandoah	1	1.1	1.8
7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional	4	4.4	8.3
8. Northern Virginia Regional	16	17.6	3.1
9. Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional	3	3.3	8.1
10. Thomas Jefferson	2	2.2	4.3
11. Region 2000	2	2.2	3.9
12. West Piedmont	0	0.0	0.0
13. Southside	0	0.0	0.0
14. Commonwealth Regional	0	0.0	0.0
15. Richmond Regional	19	20.9	8.4
16. George Washington Regional	3	3.3	3.7
17. Northern Neck	2	2.2	21.6
18. Middle Peninsula	1	1.1	5.1
19. Crater	7	7.7	6.2
22. Accomack-Northampton	3	3.3	24.9
23. Hampton Roads	24	26.4	5.7
Unknown	2	2.2	-
TOTAL	91	100.0	5.0

¹ See Appendix C for a listing of localities in Virginia's Medical Examiner Districts, Health Planning Regions, and Planning Districts.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol – refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

³ Chesterfield County is a member of Planning District 15 and Planning District 19, Gloucester County is a member of Planning District 18 and Planning District 23, Franklin County is a member of Planning District 5 and Planning District 12, and Surry County is a member of Planning District 19 and Planning District 23; deaths that occurred in these counties are reported in both of their Planning Districts. Nottoway County is not a member of a Planning District; deaths that occurred in Nottoway County are not reported in the Planning District section. Planning Districts numbers will not sum to the total number of violent deaths, nor sum to 100%.

APPENDIX A:

NUMBER, PERCENT, AND
RATIO OF VIOLENT DEATH
TYPES IN VIRGINIA BY
LOCALITY OF INJURY,
2003-2006

Table 41. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Locality of Injury: 2003-2006¹

LOCALITY	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Accomack County	7	0.5	17.9	5	0.4	12.7	6	0.4	15.2	9	0.6	22.9
Albemarle County	16	1.2	18.3	17	1.3	19.2	10	0.7	11.0	8	0.6	8.7
Alexandria City	23	1.7	17.8	18	1.3	14.0	12	0.8	8.9	17	1.2	12.4
Alleghany County	4	0.3	23.8	2	0.1	11.9	4	0.3	23.9	4	0.3	24.1
Amelia County	3	0.2	25.5	3	0.2	25.1	3	0.2	24.4	3	0.2	24.0
Amherst County	4	0.3	12.5	6	0.4	18.8	8	0.5	24.9	4	0.3	12.4
Appomattox County	3	0.2	21.9	2	0.1	14.4	6	0.4	43.0	2	0.1	14.2
Arlington County	17	1.3	9.0	18	1.3	9.7	31	2.1	15.8	21	1.5	10.5
Augusta County	15	1.1	22.2	21	1.6	30.5	15	1.0	21.5	18	1.3	25.4
Bath County	-	-	-	2	0.1	40.1	-	-	-	1	0.1	20.8
Bedford City	1	0.1	15.8	-	-	-	1	0.1	16.1	1	0.1	16.0
Bedford County	9	0.7	14.4	7	0.5	11.0	9	0.6	13.8	9	0.6	13.5
Bland County	3	0.2	43.1	2	0.1	28.4	1	0.1	14.4	2	0.1	29.0
Botetourt County	4	0.3	12.7	2	0.1	6.3	9	0.6	28.1	4	0.3	12.4
Bristol City	4	0.3	23.2	5	0.4	28.9	8	0.5	46.1	8	0.6	45.7
Brunswick County	6	0.4	33.0	6	0.4	33.0	6	0.4	33.5	5	0.4	27.9
Buchanan County	7	0.5	27.3	9	0.7	35.7	11	0.8	44.4	6	0.4	24.6
Buckingham County	4	0.3	25.3	1	0.1	6.3	1	0.1	6.2	5	0.4	31.1
Buena Vista City	-	-	-	2	0.1	32.1	1	0.1	15.5	-	-	-
Campbell County	7	0.5	13.6	9	0.7	17.4	11	0.8	21.0	11	0.8	20.9
Caroline County	7	0.5	30.2	2	0.1	8.3	3	0.2	11.7	8	0.6	29.9
Carroll County	4	0.3	13.6	10	0.7	33.9	8	0.5	27.2	8	0.6	27.2
Charles City County	1	0.1	14.0	1	0.1	14.1	1	0.1	14.0	-	-	-
Charlotte County	1	0.1	8.0	1	0.1	8.1	-	-	-	3	0.2	24.0
Charlottesville City	5	0.4	12.8	8	0.6	21.9	10	0.7	24.7	9	0.6	22.3
Chesapeake City	23	1.7	10.9	36	2.7	16.8	31	2.1	14.2	29	2.1	13.1
Chesterfield County	42	3.1	15.2	44	3.2	15.6	44	3.0	15.2	40	2.8	13.5
Clarke County	3	0.2	22.4	3	0.2	21.7	3	0.2	21.1	3	0.2	20.6
Colonial Heights City	2	0.1	11.6	5	0.4	28.5	1	0.1	5.7	1	0.1	5.7
Covington City	-	-	-	3	0.2	47.9	1	0.1	16.1	2	0.1	32.9
Craig County	3	0.2	58.2	2	0.1	38.9	4	0.3	77.6	-	-	-
Culpeper County	8	0.6	20.7	7	0.5	17.4	8	0.5	18.8	7	0.5	15.7
Cumberland County	1	0.1	10.9	2	0.1	21.8	4	0.3	42.7	-	-	-
Danville City	14	1.0	29.8	13	1.0	28.0	18	1.2	39.0	15	1.1	32.9
Dickenson County	5	0.4	31.0	6	0.4	37.1	4	0.3	24.6	2	0.1	12.4
Dinwiddie County	8	0.6	32.2	6	0.4	23.8	11	0.8	43.3	8	0.6	31.1
Emporia City	1	0.1	17.7	2	0.1	35.2	1	0.1	17.9	4	0.3	71.1
Essex County	3	0.2	29.2	3	0.2	29.0	-	-	-	1	0.1	9.4
Fairfax City	2	0.1	9.1	1	0.1	4.5	2	0.1	9.1	3	0.2	13.4
Fairfax County	73	5.5	7.3	81	6.0	8.1	102	7.0	10.1	106	7.5	10.5
Falls Church City	-	-	-	2	0.1	18.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fauquier County	10	0.7	16.4	12	0.9	19.0	11	0.8	16.9	11	0.8	16.6
Floyd County	-	-	-	3	0.2	20.7	2	0.1	13.7	2	0.1	13.5
Fluvanna County	3	0.2	13.0	2	0.1	8.5	3	0.2	12.1	2	0.1	8.0
Franklin City	1	0.1	12.1	1	0.1	11.8	2	0.1	23.3	-	-	-
Franklin County	13	1.0	26.5	12	0.9	24.1	9	0.6	17.9	8	0.6	15.8

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Frederick County	10	0.7	15.5	12	0.9	18.0	6	0.4	8.7	17	1.2	23.9
Fredericksburg City	6	0.4	29.7	6	0.4	29.3	1	0.1	4.8	6	0.4	28.2
Galax City	1	0.1	15.0	-	-	-	2	0.1	30.0	2	0.1	29.9
Giles County	3	0.2	17.7	5	0.4	29.4	1	0.1	5.8	3	0.2	17.2
Gloucester County	7	0.5	19.1	9	0.7	24.2	12	0.8	31.8	7	0.5	18.3
Goochland County	4	0.3	22.1	4	0.3	21.3	5	0.3	25.8	2	0.1	10.0
Grayson County	6	0.4	36.2	6	0.4	36.4	7	0.5	42.8	3	0.2	18.6
Greene County	7	0.5	41.7	5	0.4	29.4	3	0.2	17.2	4	0.3	22.6
Greensville County	2	0.1	17.3	1	0.1	8.7	1	0.1	9.0	3	0.2	27.3
Halifax County	7	0.5	19.1	8	0.6	22.0	4	0.3	11.0	9	0.6	24.9
Hampton City	27	2.0	18.4	33	2.4	22.6	26	1.8	17.9	28	2.0	19.3
Hanover County	10	0.7	10.6	11	0.8	11.5	14	1.0	14.4	15	1.1	15.2
Harrisonburg City	2	0.1	4.9	3	0.2	7.3	8	0.5	19.8	6	0.4	14.7
Henrico County	60	4.5	22.1	45	3.3	16.3	45	3.1	16.0	54	3.8	19.0
Henry County	18	1.3	31.5	18	1.3	31.6	20	1.4	35.4	19	1.4	33.8
Highland County	1	0.1	39.9	3	0.2	120.9	1	0.1	40.4	-	-	-
Hopewell City	4	0.3	17.9	3	0.2	13.4	4	0.3	17.6	5	0.4	22.0
Isle of Wight County	5	0.4	15.7	8	0.6	24.4	1	0.1	3.0	5	0.4	14.4
James City County	8	0.6	15.0	8	0.6	14.4	7	0.5	12.2	11	0.8	18.4
King and Queen County	3	0.2	45.5	1	0.1	14.8	2	0.1	29.4	2	0.1	29.0
King George County	1	0.1	5.5	5	0.4	25.8	1	0.1	4.8	5	0.4	23.0
King William County	3	0.2	21.2	3	0.2	20.9	5	0.3	33.9	1	0.1	6.5
Lancaster County	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	0.3	34.5	2	0.1	17.4
Lee County	5	0.4	21.1	11	0.8	46.1	6	0.4	25.3	6	0.4	25.2
Lexington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun County	21	1.6	9.5	22	1.6	9.2	26	1.8	10.2	28	2.0	10.4
Louisa County	7	0.5	25.0	6	0.4	20.8	4	0.3	13.3	5	0.4	16.0
Lunenburg County	2	0.1	15.2	2	0.1	15.3	2	0.1	15.2	7	0.5	53.0
Lynchburg City	10	0.7	15.4	12	0.9	18.5	8	0.5	11.9	11	0.8	16.2
Madison County	4	0.3	30.7	1	0.1	7.6	2	0.1	14.9	2	0.1	14.7
Manassas City	4	0.3	10.8	4	0.3	10.6	8	0.5	21.3	7	0.5	19.1
Manassas Park City	1	0.1	9.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	0.3	34.4
Martinsville City	2	0.1	13.2	5	0.4	33.2	4	0.3	26.8	1	0.1	6.7
Mathews County	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	0.3	54.4	1	0.1	10.9
Mecklenburg County	7	0.5	21.5	11	0.8	33.8	12	0.8	36.9	6	0.4	18.5
Middlesex County	3	0.2	29.4	2	0.1	19.1	4	0.3	38.1	1	0.1	9.4
Montgomery County	9	0.7	10.5	11	0.8	13.1	11	0.8	13.0	16	1.1	18.9
Nelson County	5	0.4	33.5	3	0.2	20.1	5	0.3	33.1	2	0.1	13.2
New Kent County	2	0.1	13.5	4	0.3	25.7	6	0.4	37.3	3	0.2	17.8
Newport News City	44	3.3	24.2	40	3.0	22.0	34	2.3	18.9	34	2.4	19.1
Norfolk City	73	5.5	30.2	70	5.2	29.4	92	6.3	39.7	69	4.9	30.1
Northampton County	2	0.1	15.1	6	0.4	45.1	2	0.1	14.8	2	0.1	14.7
Northumberland County	3	0.2	23.5	2	0.1	15.5	4	0.3	31.1	3	0.2	23.4
Norton City	-	-	-	3	0.2	79.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nottoway County	2	0.1	12.8	4	0.3	25.6	2	0.1	12.9	1	0.1	6.4
Orange County	4	0.3	14.3	2	0.1	6.9	9	0.6	29.8	8	0.6	25.2
Page County	7	0.5	29.7	2	0.1	8.4	6	0.4	25.2	7	0.5	29.0

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Patrick County	4	0.3	20.9	8	0.6	41.6	7	0.5	36.4	3	0.2	15.6
Petersburg City	10	0.7	30.2	9	0.7	27.5	17	1.2	52.1	11	0.8	33.9
Pittsylvania County	12	0.9	19.5	8	0.6	13.0	13	0.9	21.0	16	1.1	26.0
Poquoson City	1	0.1	8.4	-	-	-	1	0.1	8.5	1	0.1	8.4
Portsmouth City	32	2.4	32.1	21	1.6	21.1	41	2.8	40.9	27	1.9	26.6
Powhatan County	3	0.2	12.2	4	0.3	15.5	5	0.3	18.8	5	0.4	18.1
Prince Edward County	2	0.1	9.9	3	0.2	14.8	5	0.3	24.4	3	0.2	14.6
Prince George County	7	0.5	20.4	7	0.5	20.4	1	0.1	2.7	6	0.4	16.6
Prince William County	37	2.8	11.4	28	2.1	8.3	48	3.3	13.8	43	3.1	12.0
Pulaski County	7	0.5	20.0	9	0.7	25.6	9	0.6	25.7	15	1.1	42.8
Radford City	-	-	-	4	0.3	27.1	4	0.3	27.4	2	0.1	13.8
Rappahannock County	3	0.2	42.2	2	0.1	27.9	1	0.1	13.8	2	0.1	27.8
Richmond City	122	9.1	62.7	125	9.2	65.0	130	8.9	67.1	115	8.2	59.6
Richmond County	2	0.1	22.2	2	0.1	22.3	4	0.3	43.9	2	0.1	21.9
Roanoke City	33	2.5	35.5	21	1.6	22.7	36	2.5	38.9	23	1.6	25.1
Roanoke County	12	0.9	13.7	13	1.0	14.8	18	1.2	20.4	12	0.9	13.3
Rockbridge County	5	0.4	23.8	7	0.5	33.2	4	0.3	18.8	5	0.4	23.4
Rockingham County	5	0.4	7.2	9	0.7	12.8	8	0.5	11.2	11	0.8	15.2
Russell County	5	0.4	17.3	9	0.7	31.2	7	0.5	24.2	7	0.5	24.3
Salem City	6	0.4	24.4	4	0.3	16.4	3	0.2	12.2	5	0.4	20.1
Scott County	6	0.4	26.1	4	0.3	17.4	3	0.2	13.1	3	0.2	13.1
Shenandoah County	11	0.8	29.6	9	0.7	23.7	9	0.6	23.0	7	0.5	17.5
Smyth County	3	0.2	9.2	6	0.4	18.4	13	0.9	39.8	4	0.3	12.3
Southampton County	4	0.3	22.9	5	0.4	28.4	2	0.1	11.4	6	0.4	33.7
Spotsylvania County	19	1.4	17.6	12	0.9	10.7	9	0.6	7.7	19	1.4	15.9
Stafford County	14	1.0	12.6	17	1.3	14.8	15	1.0	12.7	11	0.8	9.2
Staunton City	6	0.4	25.2	6	0.4	25.2	5	0.3	21.4	5	0.4	21.4
Suffolk City	12	0.9	16.3	12	0.9	15.7	17	1.2	21.5	21	1.5	25.9
Surry County	1	0.1	14.3	1	0.1	14.3	1	0.1	14.3	-	-	-
Sussex County	4	0.3	33.5	5	0.4	42.0	2	0.1	16.6	2	0.1	16.3
Tazewell County	13	1.0	29.3	9	0.7	20.1	14	1.0	31.3	14	1.0	31.4
Virginia Beach City	83	6.2	18.9	69	5.1	15.7	60	4.1	13.7	84	6.0	19.3
Warren County	1	0.1	3.0	17	1.3	49.5	7	0.5	19.7	4	0.3	11.1
Washington County	9	0.7	17.5	14	1.0	26.9	11	0.8	21.1	6	0.4	11.5
Waynesboro City	3	0.2	14.7	5	0.4	24.1	6	0.4	28.2	6	0.4	28.0
Westmoreland County	3	0.2	17.7	5	0.4	29.3	6	0.4	34.8	7	0.5	40.7
Williamsburg City	4	0.3	34.5	4	0.3	34.9	6	0.4	51.1	5	0.4	42.4
Winchester City	7	0.5	28.6	4	0.3	16.1	4	0.3	15.9	5	0.4	19.8
Wise County	7	0.5	16.7	3	0.2	7.2	12	0.8	28.6	12	0.9	28.6
Wythe County	6	0.4	21.5	7	0.5	25.0	7	0.5	24.6	5	0.4	17.5
York County	6	0.4	9.8	4	0.3	6.6	6	0.4	9.7	8	0.6	12.9
Unknown	26	1.9	-	18	1.3	-	11	0.8	-	14	1.0	-
TOTAL	1,338	100.0	17.9	1,354	100.0	18.1	1,456	100.0	19.5	1,405	100.0	18.4

¹ For purposes of readability, localities without a violent death type are represented by the symbol – instead of a 0. Where locality of injury is unknown, the symbol – is used as there is no population on which to base a ratio.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 42. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia by Locality of Injury: 2003-2006¹

LOCALITY	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Accomack County	4	0.5	10.2	2	0.2	5.1	5	0.6	12.7	4	0.4	10.2
Albemarle County	11	1.4	12.5	14	1.7	15.8	6	0.7	6.6	6	0.7	6.5
Alexandria City	19	2.4	14.7	14	1.7	10.9	6	0.7	4.4	12	1.3	8.8
Alleghany County	4	0.5	23.8	1	0.1	6.0	3	0.3	17.9	4	0.4	24.1
Amelia County	2	0.2	17.0	3	0.4	25.1	2	0.2	16.3	2	0.2	16.0
Amherst County	1	0.1	3.1	3	0.4	9.4	5	0.6	15.6	4	0.4	12.4
Appomattox County	3	0.4	21.9	2	0.2	14.4	5	0.6	35.8	2	0.2	14.2
Arlington County	15	1.9	8.0	15	1.8	8.1	27	3.1	13.8	14	1.6	7.0
Augusta County	10	1.2	14.8	12	1.4	17.5	10	1.1	14.3	12	1.3	16.9
Bath County	-	-	-	2	0.2	40.1	-	-	-	1	0.1	20.8
Bedford City	1	0.1	15.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.1	16.0
Bedford County	8	1.0	12.8	6	0.7	9.4	8	0.9	12.3	6	0.7	9.0
Bland County	3	0.4	43.1	2	0.2	28.4	-	-	-	2	0.2	29.0
Botetourt County	2	0.2	6.4	2	0.2	6.3	7	0.8	21.9	3	0.3	9.3
Bristol City	4	0.5	23.2	4	0.5	23.1	5	0.6	28.8	4	0.4	22.9
Brunswick County	4	0.5	22.0	3	0.4	16.5	3	0.3	16.7	2	0.2	11.1
Buchanan County	5	0.6	19.5	7	0.8	27.8	9	1.0	36.4	5	0.6	20.5
Buckingham County	-	-	-	1	0.1	6.3	-	-	-	3	0.3	18.6
Buena Vista City	-	-	-	2	0.2	32.1	1	0.1	15.5	-	-	-
Campbell County	6	0.7	11.7	6	0.7	11.6	11	1.3	21.0	6	0.7	11.4
Caroline County	6	0.7	25.9	1	0.1	4.2	3	0.3	11.7	2	0.2	7.5
Carroll County	3	0.4	10.2	9	1.1	30.5	7	0.8	23.8	7	0.8	23.8
Charles City County	1	0.1	14.0	1	0.1	14.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlotte County	-	-	-	1	0.1	8.1	-	-	-	3	0.3	24.0
Charlottesville City	4	0.5	10.2	3	0.4	8.2	8	0.9	19.8	5	0.6	12.4
Chesapeake City	18	2.2	8.5	19	2.3	8.8	15	1.7	6.9	18	2.0	8.2
Chesterfield County	30	3.7	10.8	31	3.7	11.0	30	3.4	10.4	32	3.6	10.8
Clarke County	2	0.2	15.0	1	0.1	7.2	2	0.2	14.1	2	0.2	13.7
Colonial Heights City	1	0.1	5.8	1	0.1	5.7	1	0.1	5.7	1	0.1	5.7
Covington City	-	-	-	2	0.2	32.0	-	-	-	2	0.2	32.9
Craig County	3	0.4	58.2	-	-	-	2	0.2	38.8	-	-	-
Culpeper County	6	0.7	15.6	7	0.8	17.4	5	0.6	11.8	6	0.7	13.4
Cumberland County	1	0.1	10.9	1	0.1	10.9	1	0.1	10.7	-	-	-
Danville City	10	1.2	21.3	7	0.8	15.1	8	0.9	17.3	7	0.8	15.4
Dickenson County	4	0.5	24.8	3	0.4	18.6	1	0.1	6.2	2	0.2	12.4
Dinwiddie County	6	0.7	24.1	3	0.4	11.9	8	0.9	31.5	3	0.3	11.7
Emporia City	1	0.1	17.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.3	53.3
Essex County	3	0.4	29.2	2	0.2	19.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax City	1	0.1	4.5	1	0.1	4.5	1	0.1	4.6	2	0.2	8.9
Fairfax County	60	7.5	6.0	65	7.8	6.5	78	8.9	7.7	80	8.9	7.9
Falls Church City	-	-	-	1	0.1	9.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fauquier County	8	1.0	13.1	11	1.3	17.4	9	1.0	13.8	8	0.9	12.1
Floyd County	-	-	-	3	0.4	20.7	1	0.1	6.8	2	0.2	13.5
Fluvanna County	3	0.4	13.0	2	0.2	8.5	3	0.3	12.1	2	0.2	8.0
Franklin City	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.2	23.3	-	-	-
Franklin County	8	1.0	16.3	9	1.1	18.1	8	0.9	15.9	5	0.6	9.8

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Frederick County	9	1.1	13.9	11	1.3	16.5	6	0.7	8.7	10	1.1	14.0
Fredericksburg City	5	0.6	24.8	3	0.4	14.7	-	-	-	5	0.6	23.5
Galax City	1	0.1	15.0	-	-	-	2	0.2	30.0	1	0.1	15.0
Giles County	3	0.4	17.7	3	0.4	17.7	1	0.1	5.8	2	0.2	11.5
Gloucester County	6	0.7	16.3	8	1.0	21.5	8	0.9	21.2	7	0.8	18.3
Goochland County	2	0.2	11.0	2	0.2	10.7	4	0.5	20.7	2	0.2	10.0
Grayson County	4	0.5	24.2	5	0.6	30.3	5	0.6	30.6	3	0.3	18.6
Greene County	2	0.2	11.9	4	0.5	23.5	1	0.1	5.7	4	0.4	22.6
Greensville County	2	0.2	17.3	1	0.1	8.7	-	-	-	2	0.2	18.2
Halifax County	2	0.2	5.5	5	0.6	13.8	2	0.2	5.5	8	0.9	22.1
Hampton City	13	1.6	8.9	15	1.8	10.3	11	1.3	7.6	14	1.6	9.7
Hanover County	8	1.0	8.5	8	1.0	8.3	11	1.3	11.3	12	1.3	12.1
Harrisonburg City	2	0.2	4.9	1	0.1	2.4	5	0.6	12.4	2	0.2	4.9
Henrico County	36	4.5	13.3	22	2.6	8.0	27	3.1	9.6	43	4.8	15.1
Henry County	11	1.4	19.3	12	1.4	21.1	13	1.5	23.0	11	1.2	19.6
Highland County	-	-	-	2	0.2	80.6	1	0.1	40.4	-	-	-
Hopewell City	2	0.2	8.9	1	0.1	4.5	3	0.3	13.2	1	0.1	4.4
Isle of Wight County	4	0.5	12.5	5	0.6	15.3	1	0.1	3.0	4	0.4	11.5
James City County	6	0.7	11.2	7	0.8	12.6	3	0.3	5.2	9	1.0	15.1
King and Queen County	1	0.1	15.2	1	0.1	14.8	1	0.1	14.7	2	0.2	29.0
King George County	1	0.1	5.5	4	0.5	20.7	1	0.1	4.8	4	0.4	18.4
King William County	1	0.1	7.1	3	0.4	20.9	2	0.2	13.6	1	0.1	6.5
Lancaster County	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.3	25.9	-	-	-
Lee County	4	0.5	16.9	9	1.1	37.7	5	0.6	21.1	5	0.6	21.0
Lexington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun County	19	2.4	8.6	18	2.2	7.5	21	2.4	8.2	21	2.3	7.8
Louisa County	5	0.6	17.8	6	0.7	20.8	4	0.5	13.3	5	0.6	16.0
Lunenburg County	2	0.2	15.2	2	0.2	15.3	2	0.2	15.2	6	0.7	45.4
Lynchburg City	5	0.6	7.7	6	0.7	9.2	3	0.3	4.5	8	0.9	11.8
Madison County	2	0.2	15.3	1	0.1	7.6	2	0.2	14.9	2	0.2	14.7
Manassas City	1	0.1	2.7	1	0.1	2.7	7	0.8	18.6	4	0.4	10.9
Manassas Park City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.3	25.8
Martinsville City	2	0.2	13.2	2	0.2	13.3	4	0.5	26.8	1	0.1	6.7
Mathews County	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	0.5	43.5	1	0.1	10.9
Mecklenburg County	6	0.7	18.4	9	1.1	27.7	9	1.0	27.7	4	0.4	12.4
Middlesex County	2	0.2	19.6	2	0.2	19.1	4	0.5	38.1	-	-	-
Montgomery County	5	0.6	5.8	8	1.0	9.5	9	1.0	10.7	11	1.2	13.0
Nelson County	5	0.6	33.5	2	0.2	13.4	4	0.5	26.5	2	0.2	13.2
New Kent County	1	0.1	6.7	4	0.5	25.7	5	0.6	31.0	3	0.3	17.8
Newport News City	14	1.7	7.7	18	2.2	9.9	13	1.5	7.2	11	1.2	6.2
Norfolk City	23	2.9	9.5	29	3.5	12.2	26	3.0	11.2	27	3.0	11.8
Northampton County	1	0.1	7.5	4	0.5	30.1	1	0.1	7.4	-	-	-
Northumberland County	2	0.2	15.7	1	0.1	7.8	3	0.3	23.3	1	0.1	7.8
Norton City	-	-	-	3	0.4	79.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nottoway County	1	0.1	6.4	4	0.5	25.6	-	-	-	1	0.1	6.4
Orange County	4	0.5	14.3	-	-	-	6	0.7	19.8	6	0.7	18.9
Page County	6	0.7	25.4	2	0.2	8.4	5	0.6	21.0	6	0.7	24.9

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Patrick County	4	0.5	20.9	6	0.7	31.2	5	0.6	26.0	3	0.3	15.6
Petersburg City	1	0.1	3.0	5	0.6	15.3	3	0.3	9.2	1	0.1	3.1
Pittsylvania County	9	1.1	14.6	5	0.6	8.1	11	1.3	17.8	14	1.6	22.8
Poquoson City	1	0.1	8.4	-	-	-	1	0.1	8.5	1	0.1	8.4
Portsmouth City	11	1.4	11.0	12	1.4	12.1	13	1.5	13.0	8	0.9	7.9
Powhatan County	1	0.1	4.1	4	0.5	15.5	5	0.6	18.8	5	0.6	18.1
Prince Edward County	1	0.1	5.0	2	0.2	9.8	3	0.3	14.7	3	0.3	14.6
Prince George County	6	0.7	17.5	6	0.7	17.5	1	0.1	2.7	6	0.7	16.6
Prince William County	22	2.7	6.8	19	2.3	5.6	34	3.9	9.8	28	3.1	7.8
Pulaski County	6	0.7	17.1	9	1.1	25.6	7	0.8	20.0	12	1.3	34.2
Radford City	-	-	-	3	0.4	20.3	4	0.5	27.4	1	0.1	6.9
Rappahannock County	2	0.2	28.1	2	0.2	27.9	1	0.1	13.8	-	-	-
Richmond City	20	2.5	10.3	18	2.2	9.4	30	3.4	15.5	27	3.0	14.0
Richmond County	2	0.2	22.2	1	0.1	11.1	4	0.5	43.9	2	0.2	21.9
Roanoke City	15	1.9	16.2	11	1.3	11.9	18	2.1	19.4	10	1.1	10.9
Roanoke County	11	1.4	12.6	11	1.3	12.5	15	1.7	17.0	11	1.2	12.2
Rockbridge County	2	0.2	9.5	7	0.8	33.2	3	0.3	14.1	5	0.6	23.4
Rockingham County	5	0.6	7.2	7	0.8	10.0	7	0.8	9.8	10	1.1	13.8
Russell County	4	0.5	13.9	8	1.0	27.7	5	0.6	17.3	5	0.6	17.4
Salem City	6	0.7	24.4	4	0.5	16.4	3	0.3	12.2	4	0.4	16.1
Scott County	4	0.5	17.4	3	0.4	13.1	3	0.3	13.1	3	0.3	13.1
Shenandoah County	8	1.0	21.5	7	0.8	18.4	9	1.0	23.0	7	0.8	17.5
Smyth County	3	0.4	9.2	5	0.6	15.4	7	0.8	21.4	3	0.3	9.2
Southampton County	2	0.2	11.5	1	0.1	5.7	2	0.2	11.4	4	0.4	22.5
Spotsylvania County	14	1.7	13.0	9	1.1	8.0	8	0.9	6.9	15	1.7	12.5
Stafford County	8	1.0	7.2	12	1.4	10.5	13	1.5	11.0	8	0.9	6.7
Staunton City	5	0.6	21.0	5	0.6	21.0	3	0.3	12.9	5	0.6	21.4
Suffolk City	9	1.1	12.2	8	1.0	10.4	7	0.8	8.9	12	1.3	14.8
Surry County	1	0.1	14.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sussex County	3	0.4	25.1	2	0.2	16.8	1	0.1	8.3	-	-	-
Tazewell County	10	1.2	22.5	7	0.8	15.6	12	1.4	26.8	13	1.5	29.1
Virginia Beach City	46	5.7	10.5	49	5.9	11.1	33	3.8	7.5	61	6.8	14.0
Warren County	1	0.1	3.0	16	1.9	46.5	7	0.8	19.7	3	0.3	8.3
Washington County	7	0.9	13.6	10	1.2	19.2	8	0.9	15.4	6	0.7	11.5
Waynesboro City	3	0.4	14.7	4	0.5	19.3	6	0.7	28.2	6	0.7	28.0
Westmoreland County	3	0.4	17.7	1	0.1	5.9	4	0.5	23.2	4	0.4	23.3
Williamsburg City	4	0.5	34.5	3	0.4	26.2	4	0.5	34.0	5	0.6	42.4
Winchester City	5	0.6	20.5	3	0.4	12.1	3	0.3	11.9	5	0.6	19.8
Wise County	6	0.7	14.4	3	0.4	7.2	9	1.0	21.4	10	1.1	23.9
Wythe County	6	0.7	21.5	5	0.6	17.9	7	0.8	24.6	4	0.4	14.0
York County	6	0.7	9.8	3	0.4	4.9	4	0.5	6.5	4	0.4	6.5
Unknown	10	1.2	-	2	0.2	-	0	0.0	-	1	0.1	-
TOTAL	805	100.0	10.8	837	100.0	11.2	877	100.0	11.8	895	100.0	11.7

¹ For purposes of readability, localities without a violent death type are represented by the symbol — instead of a 0. Where locality of injury is unknown, the symbol — is used as there is no population on which to base a ratio.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 43. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia
by Locality of Injury: 2003-2006¹

LOCALITY	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Accomack County	2	0.5	5.1	2	0.5	5.1	-	-	-	5	1.2	12.7
Albemarle County	4	0.9	4.6	1	0.2	1.1	2	0.4	2.2	2	0.5	2.2
Alexandria City	4	0.9	3.1	2	0.5	1.6	5	1.0	3.7	4	1.0	2.9
Alleghany County	-	-	-	1	0.2	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amelia County	1	0.2	8.5	-	-	-	1	0.2	8.1	1	0.2	8.0
Amherst County	2	0.5	6.3	1	0.2	3.1	1	0.2	3.1	-	-	-
Appomattox County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	7.2	-	-	-
Arlington County	2	0.5	1.1	2	0.5	1.1	4	0.8	2.0	4	1.0	2.0
Augusta County	4	0.9	5.9	5	1.2	7.3	5	1.0	7.2	4	1.0	5.6
Bath County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	1.5
Bland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botetourt County	2	0.5	6.4	-	-	-	2	0.4	6.2	-	-	-
Bristol City	-	-	-	1	0.2	5.8	2	0.4	11.5	4	1.0	22.9
Brunswick County	2	0.5	11.0	2	0.5	11.0	2	0.4	11.2	2	0.5	11.1
Buchanan County	2	0.5	7.8	2	0.5	7.9	2	0.4	8.1	1	0.2	4.1
Buckingham County	2	0.5	12.6	-	-	-	1	0.2	6.2	-	-	-
Buena Vista City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Campbell County	1	0.2	1.9	2	0.5	3.9	-	-	-	3	0.7	5.7
Caroline County	1	0.2	4.3	1	0.2	4.2	-	-	-	4	1.0	15.0
Carroll County	1	0.2	3.4	1	0.2	3.4	1	0.2	3.4	1	0.2	3.4
Charles City County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	14.0	-	-	-
Charlotte County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlottesville City	1	0.2	2.6	4	1.0	10.9	2	0.4	4.9	3	0.7	7.4
Chesapeake City	5	1.1	2.4	15	3.7	7.0	14	2.9	6.4	7	1.7	3.2
Chesterfield County	11	2.5	4.0	9	2.2	3.2	9	1.9	3.1	5	1.2	1.7
Clarke County	1	0.2	7.5	1	0.2	7.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colonial Heights City	1	0.2	5.8	3	0.7	17.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Covington City	-	-	-	1	0.2	16.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Craig County	-	-	-	2	0.5	38.9	1	0.2	19.4	-	-	-
Culpeper County	2	0.5	5.2	-	-	-	1	0.2	2.4	1	0.2	2.2
Cumberland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.4	21.3	-	-	-
Danville City	4	0.9	8.5	6	1.5	12.9	9	1.9	19.5	5	1.2	11.0
Dickenson County	-	-	-	3	0.7	18.6	3	0.6	18.5	-	-	-
Dinwiddie County	2	0.5	8.0	3	0.7	11.9	3	0.6	11.8	5	1.2	19.5
Emporia City	-	-	-	1	0.2	17.6	-	-	-	1	0.2	17.8
Essex County	-	-	-	1	0.2	9.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	4.6	1	0.2	4.5
Fairfax County	9	2.1	0.9	11	2.7	1.1	22	4.6	2.2	21	5.2	2.1
Falls Church City	-	-	-	1	0.2	9.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fauquier County	2	0.5	3.3	-	-	-	1	0.2	1.5	2	0.5	3.0
Floyd County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fluvanna County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin City	-	-	-	1	0.2	11.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin County	2	0.5	4.1	2	0.5	4.0	-	-	-	2	0.5	3.9

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Frederick County	1	0.2	1.5	1	0.2	1.5	-	-	-	7	1.7	9.8
Fredericksburg City	-	-	-	2	0.5	9.8	1	0.2	4.8	1	0.2	4.7
Galax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	15.0
Giles County	-	-	-	1	0.2	5.9	-	-	-	1	0.2	5.7
Gloucester County	1	0.2	2.7	1	0.2	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goochland County	2	0.5	11.0	1	0.2	5.3	1	0.2	5.2	-	-	-
Grayson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.4	12.2	-	-	-
Greene County	4	0.9	23.8	-	-	-	1	0.2	5.7	-	-	-
Greensville County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	9.0	1	0.2	9.1
Halifax County	4	0.9	10.9	3	0.7	8.3	1	0.2	2.8	1	0.2	2.8
Hampton City	12	2.7	8.2	15	3.7	10.3	13	2.7	8.9	14	3.5	9.7
Hanover County	2	0.5	2.1	3	0.7	3.1	1	0.2	1.0	2	0.5	2.0
Harrisonburg City	-	-	-	1	0.2	2.4	2	0.4	4.9	4	1.0	9.8
Henrico County	22	5.0	8.1	20	5.0	7.2	16	3.4	5.7	10	2.5	3.5
Henry County	5	1.1	8.8	4	1.0	7.0	7	1.5	12.4	7	1.7	12.5
Highland County	-	-	-	1	0.2	40.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hopewell City	2	0.5	8.9	1	0.2	4.5	1	0.2	4.4	4	1.0	17.6
Isle of Wight County	1	0.2	3.1	2	0.5	6.1	-	-	-	1	0.2	2.9
James City County	1	0.2	1.9	-	-	-	2	0.4	3.5	1	0.2	1.7
King and Queen County	1	0.2	15.2	-	-	-	1	0.2	14.7	-	-	-
King George County	-	-	-	1	0.2	5.2	-	-	-	1	0.2	4.6
King William County	2	0.5	14.2	-	-	-	1	0.2	6.8	-	-	-
Lancaster County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	8.6	2	0.5	17.4
Lee County	-	-	-	2	0.5	8.4	1	0.2	4.2	-	-	-
Lexington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun County	2	0.5	0.9	1	0.2	0.4	4	0.8	1.6	4	1.0	1.5
Louisa County	1	0.2	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lunenburg County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lynchburg City	5	1.1	7.7	4	1.0	6.2	5	1.0	7.5	2	0.5	3.0
Madison County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manassas City	3	0.7	8.1	3	0.7	8.0	1	0.2	2.7	2	0.5	5.5
Manassas Park City	1	0.2	9.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martinsville City	-	-	-	2	0.5	13.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathews County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	10.9	-	-	-
Mecklenburg County	1	0.2	3.1	1	0.2	3.1	3	0.6	9.2	-	-	-
Middlesex County	1	0.2	9.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	9.4
Montgomery County	1	0.2	1.2	2	0.5	2.4	2	0.4	2.4	3	0.7	3.5
Nelson County	-	-	-	1	0.2	6.7	1	0.2	6.6	-	-	-
New Kent County	1	0.2	6.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Newport News City	28	6.4	15.4	18	4.5	9.9	20	4.2	11.1	20	5.0	11.2
Norfolk City	42	9.6	17.4	36	9.0	15.1	60	12.6	25.9	30	7.5	13.1
Northampton County	-	-	-	2	0.5	15.0	1	0.2	7.4	2	0.5	14.7
Northumberland County	-	-	-	1	0.2	7.8	1	0.2	7.8	-	-	-
Norton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nottoway County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.4	12.9	-	-	-
Orange County	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.6	9.9	2	0.5	6.3
Page County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	4.2	1	0.2	4.1

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Patrick County	-	-	-	2	0.5	10.4	2	0.4	10.4	-	-	-
Petersburg City	8	1.8	24.2	4	1.0	12.2	10	2.1	30.7	9	2.2	27.7
Pittsylvania County	3	0.7	4.9	1	0.2	1.6	2	0.4	3.2	2	0.5	3.3
Poquoson City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portsmouth City	17	3.9	17.1	8	2.0	8.1	22	4.6	22.0	18	4.5	17.8
Powhatan County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward County	-	-	-	1	0.2	4.9	2	0.4	9.8	-	-	-
Prince George County	1	0.2	2.9	1	0.2	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince William County	11	2.5	3.4	6	1.5	1.8	13	2.7	3.7	13	3.2	3.6
Pulaski County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	2.9
Radford City	-	-	-	1	0.2	6.8	-	-	-	1	0.2	6.9
Rappahannock County	1	0.2	14.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	13.9
Richmond City	101	23.1	51.9	99	24.7	51.4	92	19.3	47.5	82	20.4	42.5
Richmond County	-	-	-	1	0.2	11.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roanoke City	17	3.9	18.3	8	2.0	8.7	17	3.6	18.4	12	3.0	13.1
Roanoke County	1	0.2	1.1	1	0.2	1.1	2	0.4	2.3	1	0.2	1.1
Rockbridge County	2	0.5	9.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockingham County	-	-	-	1	0.2	1.4	-	-	-	1	0.2	1.4
Russell County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	3.5	2	0.5	6.9
Salem City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scott County	2	0.5	8.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shenandoah County	2	0.5	5.4	1	0.2	2.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smyth County	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1.3	18.4	-	-	-
Southampton County	2	0.5	11.5	2	0.5	11.4	-	-	-	1	0.2	5.6
Spotsylvania County	4	0.9	3.7	3	0.7	2.7	-	-	-	4	1.0	3.3
Stafford County	5	1.1	4.5	5	1.2	4.4	2	0.4	1.7	1	0.2	0.8
Staunton City	1	0.2	4.2	1	0.2	4.2	1	0.2	4.3	-	-	-
Suffolk City	2	0.5	2.7	4	1.0	5.2	9	1.9	11.4	8	2.0	9.9
Surry County	-	-	-	1	0.2	14.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sussex County	-	-	-	3	0.7	25.2	1	0.2	8.3	1	0.2	8.2
Tazewell County	3	0.7	6.8	-	-	-	1	0.2	2.2	-	-	-
Virginia Beach City	27	6.2	6.1	19	4.7	4.3	24	5.0	5.5	18	4.5	4.1
Warren County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Washington County	2	0.5	3.9	3	0.7	5.8	2	0.4	3.8	-	-	-
Waynesboro City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Westmoreland County	-	-	-	3	0.7	17.6	2	0.4	11.6	2	0.5	11.6
Williamsburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.4	17.0	-	-	-
Winchester City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.2	4.0	-	-	-
Wise County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.4	4.8	-	-	-
Wythe County	-	-	-	1	0.2	3.6	-	-	-	1	0.2	3.5
York County	-	-	-	1	0.2	1.6	1	0.2	1.6	3	0.7	4.8
Unknown	10	2.3	-	3	0.7	-	4	0.8	-	5	1.2	-
TOTAL	438	100.0	5.9	401	100.0	5.4	477	100.0	6.4	401	100.0	5.2

¹ For purposes of readability, localities without a violent death type are represented by the symbol - instead of a 0. Where locality of injury is unknown, the symbol - is used as there is no population on which to base a ratio.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 44. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Legal Intervention Death Victims in Virginia by Locality of Injury: 2003-2006¹

LOCALITY	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Accomack County	1	8.3	2.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Albemarle County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alexandria City	-	-	-	1	7.7	0.8	1	9.1	0.7	1	6.7	0.7
Alleghany County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amelia County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amherst County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9.1	3.1	-	-	-
Appomattox County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arlington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Augusta County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bath County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botetourt County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bristol City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brunswick County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buchanan County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buckingham County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buena Vista City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Campbell County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caroline County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carroll County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charles City County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlotte County	1	8.3	8.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlottesville City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chesapeake City	-	-	-	1	7.7	0.5	1	9.1	0.5	-	-	-
Chesterfield County	1	8.3	0.4	1	7.7	0.4	-	-	-	1	6.7	0.3
Clarke County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colonial Heights City	-	-	-	1	7.7	5.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Covington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Craig County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culpeper County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cumberland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Danville City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dickenson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dinwiddie County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Emporia City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9.1	17.9	-	-	-
Essex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	13.3	0.2
Falls Church City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fauquier County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Floyd County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fluvanna County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin County	1	8.3	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Frederick County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fredericksburg City	-	-	-	1	7.7	4.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Galax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Giles County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gloucester County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goochland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grayson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greene County	1	8.3	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greensville County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hampton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hanover County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harrisonburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Henrico County	-	-	-	1	7.7	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Henry County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hopewell City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Isle of Wight County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James City County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King and Queen County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King George County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King William County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lancaster County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lee County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lexington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9.1	0.4	1	6.7	0.4
Louisa County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lunenburg County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6.7	7.6
Lynchburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madison County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manassas City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manassas Park City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martinsville City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathews County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mecklenburg County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middlesex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montgomery County	1	8.3	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nelson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Kent County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Newport News City	-	-	-	1	7.7	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norfolk City	1	8.3	0.4	-	-	-	2	18.2	0.9	4	26.7	1.7
Northampton County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northumberland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nottoway County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orange County	-	-	-	1	7.7	3.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Page County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Patrick County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Petersburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pittsylvania County	-	-	-	1	7.7	1.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poquoson City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portsmouth City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powhatan County	1	8.3	4.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince George County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince William County	-	-	-	1	7.7	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulaski County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Radford City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rappahannock County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richmond City	-	-	-	1	7.7	0.5	1	9.1	0.5	2	13.3	1.0
Richmond County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roanoke City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6.7	1.1
Roanoke County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockbridge County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9.1	4.7	-	-	-
Rockingham County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salem City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scott County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shenandoah County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smyth County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Southampton County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spotsylvania County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stafford County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staunton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suffolk City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surry County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sussex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tazewell County	-	-	-	1	7.7	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia Beach City	4	33.3	0.9	-	-	-	1	9.1	0.2	1	6.7	0.2
Warren County	-	-	-	1	7.7	2.9	-	-	-	1	6.7	2.8
Washington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waynesboro City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Westmoreland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Williamsburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Winchester City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wise County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9.1	2.4	-	-	-
Wythe County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
York County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	12	100.0	0.2	13	100.0	0.2	11	100.0	0.1	15	100.0	0.2

¹ For purposes of readability, localities without a violent death type are represented by the symbol — instead of a 0. Where locality of injury is unknown, the symbol — is used as there is no population on which to base a ratio.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 45. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Unintentional Firearm Death Victims in Virginia by Locality of Injury: 2003-2006¹

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Accomack County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Albemarle County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alexandria City	-	-	-	1	4.5	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alleghany County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amelia County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amherst County	-	-	-	1	4.5	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appomattox County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arlington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Augusta County	-	-	-	2	9.1	2.9	-	-	-	1	7.1	1.4
Bath County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botetourt County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bristol City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brunswick County	-	-	-	1	4.5	5.5	-	-	-	1	7.1	5.6
Buchanan County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buckingham County	2	11.8	12.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	6.2
Buena Vista City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Campbell County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caroline County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	3.7
Carroll County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charles City County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlotte County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlottesville City	-	-	-	1	4.5	2.7	-	-	-	1	7.1	2.5
Chesapeake City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chesterfield County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clarke County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	6.9
Colonial Heights City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Covington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Craig County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culpeper County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cumberland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Danville City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	2.2
Dickenson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dinwiddie County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Emporia City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Essex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax County	1	5.9	0.1	1	4.5	0.1	-	-	-	1	7.1	0.1
Falls Church City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fauquier County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Floyd County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	14.3	6.8	-	-	-
Fluvanna County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin City	1	5.9	12.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin County	1	5.9	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Frederick County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fredericksburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Galax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Giles County	-	-	-	1	4.5	5.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gloucester County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goochland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grayson County	-	-	-	1	4.5	6.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greene County	-	-	-	1	4.5	5.9	1	14.3	5.7	-	-	-
Greensville County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hampton City	-	-	-	1	4.5	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hanover County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harrisonburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Henrico County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Henry County	-	-	-	1	4.5	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highland County	1	5.9	39.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hopewell City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Isle of Wight County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James City County	-	-	-	1	4.5	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
King and Queen County	1	5.9	15.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King George County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King William County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lancaster County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lee County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lexington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun County	-	-	-	3	13.6	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Louisa County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lunenburg County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lynchburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madison County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manassas City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manassas Park City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martinsville City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathews County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mecklenburg County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middlesex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montgomery County	-	-	-	1	4.5	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nelson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Kent County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Newport News City	1	5.9	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	0.6
Norfolk City	2	11.8	0.8	1	4.5	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northampton County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northumberland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nottoway County	1	5.9	6.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orange County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Page County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Patrick County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Petersburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	3.1
Pittsylvania County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poquoson City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portsmouth City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	14.3	1.0	-	-	-
Powhatan County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince George County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince William County	1	5.9	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	0.3
Pulaski County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	2.9
Radford City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rappahannock County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richmond City	-	-	-	2	9.1	1.0	1	14.3	0.5	-	-	-
Richmond County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roanoke City	-	-	-	1	4.5	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roanoke County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockbridge County	1	5.9	4.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockingham County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell County	1	5.9	3.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salem City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	4.0
Scott County	-	-	-	1	4.5	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shenandoah County	1	5.9	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smyth County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Southampton County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spotsylvania County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stafford County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	0.8
Staunton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suffolk City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surry County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	14.3	14.3	-	-	-
Sussex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tazewell County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	14.3	2.2	-	-	-
Virginia Beach City	1	5.9	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Warren County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Washington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waynesboro City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Westmoreland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Williamsburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Winchester City	1	5.9	4.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wise County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wythe County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
York County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	14.3	1.6	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	17	100.0	0.2	22	100.0	0.3	7	100.0	0.1	14	100.0	0.2

¹ For purposes of readability, localities without a violent death type are represented by the symbol – instead of a 0. Where locality of injury is unknown, the symbol – is used as there is no population on which to base a ratio.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

Table 46. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia by Locality of Injury: 2003-2006¹

LOCALITY	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Accomack County	2	2.4	21.8	1	1.1	10.8	-	-	-	3	3.3	33.3
Albemarle County	1	1.2	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	5.1
Alexandria City	1	1.2	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	3.8
Alleghany County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amelia County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amherst County	1	1.2	13.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appomattox County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arlington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	5.6
Augusta County	1	1.2	6.6	2	2.1	13.2	-	-	-	1	1.1	6.7
Bath County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford City	1	1.2	66.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bedford County	1	1.2	7.0	3	3.2	21.2	-	-	-	2	2.2	14.1
Bland County	1	1.2	78.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botetourt County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	14.8	1	1.1	15.4
Bristol City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	29.1	-	-	-
Brunswick County	-	-	-	1	1.1	28.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buchanan County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buckingham County	1	1.2	29.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buena Vista City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Campbell County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	8.3	-	-	-
Caroline County	1	1.2	18.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carroll County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charles City County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlotte County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charlottesville City	-	-	-	1	1.1	15.6	-	-	-	1	1.1	14.5
Chesapeake City	1	1.2	1.7	8	8.5	13.8	2	2.2	3.4	1	1.1	1.7
Chesterfield County	-	-	-	4	4.3	5.4	5	5.5	6.7	2	2.2	2.7
Clarke County	-	-	-	1	1.1	33.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colonial Heights City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Covington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Craig County	1	1.2	84.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culpeper County	1	1.2	10.5	-	-	-	1	1.1	9.7	-	-	-
Cumberland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	45.6	-	-	-
Danville City	1	1.2	9.3	1	1.1	9.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dickenson County	1	1.2	30.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dinwiddie County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	17.6
Emporia City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	71.6	-	-	-
Essex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fairfax County	5	6.0	2.0	8	8.5	3.2	5	5.5	2.0	5	5.5	2.0
Falls Church City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fauquier County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	6.3
Floyd County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	32.1	-	-	-
Fluvanna County	1	1.2	18.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franklin County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	9.4	-	-	-

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Frederick County	1	1.2	6.2	1	1.1	6.1	2	2.2	11.8	3	3.3	17.6
Fredericksburg City	-	-	-	1	1.1	23.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Galax City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Giles County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gloucester County	-	-	-	1	1.1	11.3	1	1.1	11.4	-	-	-
Goochland County	-	-	-	1	1.1	25.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grayson County	1	1.2	30.1	1	1.1	30.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greene County	-	-	-	1	1.1	21.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greensville County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hampton City	-	-	-	2	2.1	5.7	4	4.4	11.5	1	1.1	2.9
Hanover County	1	1.2	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	8.4
Harrisonburg City	-	-	-	1	1.1	15.0	2	2.2	31.2	-	-	-
Henrico County	5	6.0	7.5	6	6.4	8.8	3	3.3	4.3	5	5.5	7.2
Henry County	1	1.2	8.1	1	1.1	8.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hopewell City	-	-	-	1	1.1	16.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Isle of Wight County	1	1.2	13.0	1	1.1	13.0	-	-	-	1	1.1	12.9
James City County	1	1.2	8.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	17.0
King and Queen County	1	1.2	69.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King George County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
King William County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	27.4	1	1.1	27.3
Lancaster County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	48.9	-	-	-
Lee County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lexington City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun County	-	-	-	1	1.1	1.4	3	3.3	4.0	3	3.3	3.9
Louisa County	-	-	-	1	1.1	15.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lunenburg County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lynchburg City	1	1.2	6.9	2	2.1	13.9	1	1.1	7.0	-	-	-
Madison County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manassas City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	8.9	1	1.1	9.4
Manassas Park City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	26.4
Martinsville City	-	-	-	1	1.1	30.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathews County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	60.1	-	-	-
Mecklenburg County	-	-	-	1	1.1	14.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middlesex County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montgomery County	-	-	-	2	2.1	14.4	1	1.1	7.5	1	1.1	7.2
Nelson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Kent County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Newport News City	2	2.4	3.8	4	4.3	7.6	3	3.3	5.7	5	5.5	9.8
Norfolk City	5	6.0	8.3	5	5.3	8.4	9	9.9	15.1	4	4.4	6.8
Northampton County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northumberland County	-	-	-	1	1.1	43.6	1	1.1	44.7	1	1.1	45.2
Norton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nottoway County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orange County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	15.0
Page County	1	1.2	19.2	-	-	-	1	1.1	19.2	-	-	-

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
LOCALITY	No.	%	Ratio ²	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Patrick County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Petersburg City	1	1.2	11.7	1	1.1	11.9	2	2.2	23.7	2	2.2	24.3
Pittsylvania County	-	-	-	1	1.1	7.4	1	1.1	7.4	-	-	-
Poquoson City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portsmouth City	2	2.4	7.7	-	-	-	2	2.2	7.5	3	3.3	11.3
Powhatan County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	34.0	-	-	-
Prince Edward County	1	1.2	24.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince George County	1	1.2	12.1	-	-	-	1	1.1	12.4	1	1.1	13.0
Prince William County	9	10.8	9.3	2	2.1	2.0	2	2.2	1.9	3	3.3	2.9
Pulaski County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Radford City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rappahannock County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	67.8
Richmond City	12	14.5	27.2	9	9.6	20.3	7	7.7	15.8	10	11.0	22.9
Richmond County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roanoke City	3	3.6	13.8	1	1.1	4.6	2	2.2	9.0	2	2.2	9.6
Roanoke County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	5.2	-	-	-
Rockbridge County	1	1.2	22.8	-	-	-	1	1.1	22.8	-	-	-
Rockingham County	-	-	-	1	1.1	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell County	1	1.2	16.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salem City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scott County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shenandoah County	1	1.2	12.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smyth County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	28.7	-	-	-
Southampton County	-	-	-	1	1.1	27.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spotsylvania County	1	1.2	3.3	-	-	-	1	1.1	3.1	1	1.1	3.1
Stafford County	1	1.2	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	6.1
Staunton City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suffolk City	-	-	-	1	1.1	4.9	2	2.2	9.6	2	2.2	9.5
Surry County	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	62.9	-	-	-
Sussex County	-	-	-	1	1.1	44.2	-	-	-	1	1.1	45.3
Tazewell County	-	-	-	1	1.1	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia Beach City	4	4.8	3.3	4	4.3	3.4	4	4.4	3.4	4	4.4	3.5
Warren County	-	-	-	2	2.1	23.4	1	1.1	11.4	1	1.1	11.5
Washington County	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.2	19.4	-	-	-
Waynesboro City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Westmoreland County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	27.6
Williamsburg City	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	74.7	-	-	-
Winchester City	-	-	-	1	1.1	18.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wise County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wythe County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
York County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.1	6.8
Unknown	2	2.4	-	2	2.1	-	1	1.1	-	2	2.2	-
TOTAL	83	100.0	4.6	94	100.0	5.2	91	100.0	5.0	91	100.0	5.0

¹ For purposes of readability, localities without a violent death type are represented by the symbol — instead of a 0. Where locality of injury is unknown, the symbol — is used as there is no population on which to base a ratio.

² Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons.

APPENDIX B:

VIOLENT DEATH
IN VIRGINIA,
SUMMARY TABLES FOR
2003 - 2006

Table 47. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Violent Death Victims in Virginia: 2003-2006

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Sex												
Male	1,026	76.7	28.3	1,041	76.9	28.4	1,140	78.3	30.6	1,064	75.7	28.3
Female	311	23.2	8.3	311	23.0	8.2	316	21.7	8.2	339	24.1	8.7
Unknown	1	0.1	-	2	0.1	-	0	0.0	-	2	0.1	-
Race												
White	903	67.5	16.4	927	68.5	16.7	998	68.5	17.7	993	70.7	17.5
Black	397	29.7	26.3	385	28.4	25.4	422	29.0	27.4	379	27.0	24.3
Asian	24	1.8	7.2	34	2.5	9.5	26	1.8	7.0	28	2.0	7.1
American Indian	3	0.2	10.9	3	0.2	10.7	1	0.1	3.8	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	10	0.7	-	4	0.3	-	8	0.5	-	4	0.3	-
Unknown	1	0.1	-	1	0.1	-	1	0.1	-	1	0.1	-
Ethnicity²												
Hispanic	48	3.6	12.2	51	3.8	12.0	63	4.3	13.9	57	4.1	11.9
Age Group												
<1	16	1.2	16.2	30	2.2	29.9	22	1.5	21.0	35	2.5	33.9
1-4	14	1.0	3.6	13	1.0	3.3	11	0.8	2.7	11	0.8	2.7
5-9	10	0.7	2.1	4	0.3	0.8	4	0.3	0.8	4	0.3	0.8
10-14	14	1.0	2.7	14	1.0	2.7	18	1.2	3.5	7	0.5	1.4
15-19	92	6.9	18.1	85	6.3	16.4	95	6.5	18.0	79	5.6	15.0
20-24	172	12.9	32.5	154	11.4	28.6	166	11.4	30.5	162	11.5	30.2
25-34	245	18.3	24.1	236	17.4	23.2	283	19.4	27.9	228	16.2	21.8
35-44	267	20.0	22.6	272	20.1	23.2	252	17.3	21.5	253	18.0	21.5
45-54	216	16.1	20.1	233	17.2	21.3	267	18.3	23.8	287	20.4	25.2
55-64	120	9.0	16.1	133	9.8	17.1	169	11.6	20.7	158	11.2	18.9
65-74	91	6.8	20.5	72	5.3	15.9	83	5.7	18.0	88	6.3	18.5
75-84	52	3.9	18.0	74	5.5	25.4	62	4.3	21.1	67	4.8	22.3
85 and older	22	1.6	22.1	29	2.1	28.3	21	1.4	19.3	20	1.4	17.8
Unknown	7	0.5	-	5	0.4	-	3	0.2	-	6	0.4	-
Violent Death Type												
Suicide	805	60.2	10.9	837	61.8	11.2	877	60.2	11.6	895	63.7	11.7
Homicide	438	32.7	5.9	401	29.6	5.4	477	32.8	6.3	401	28.5	5.2
Undetermined	66	4.9	0.9	81	6.0	1.1	84	5.8	1.1	80	5.7	1.0
Legal Intervention	12	0.9	0.2	13	1.0	0.2	11	0.8	0.1	15	1.1	0.2
Unintentional Firearm	17	1.3	0.2	22	1.6	0.3	7	0.5	0.1	14	1.0	0.2
Terrorism	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Method of Fatal Injury³												
Firearm	792	59.2	-	823	60.8	-	883	60.6	-	812	57.8	-
Poison	170	12.7	-	150	11.1	-	164	11.3	-	186	13.2	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	170	12.7	-	181	13.4	-	179	12.3	-	176	12.5	-
Sharp Instrument	64	4.8	-	65	4.8	-	81	5.6	-	76	5.4	-
Blunt Instrument	28	2.1	-	35	2.6	-	30	2.1	-	27	1.9	-
Fall	17	1.3	-	13	1.0	-	23	1.6	-	24	1.7	-
Drowning	21	1.6	-	15	1.1	-	13	0.9	-	24	1.7	-
Personal Weapon	7	0.5	-	11	0.8	-	18	1.2	-	15	1.1	-
Motor Vehicle	13	1.0	-	10	0.7	-	17	1.2	-	9	0.6	-
Fire or Burn	6	0.4	-	7	0.5	-	7	0.5	-	9	0.6	-
Other Transport Vehicle	5	0.4	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	7	0.5	-
Shaking	6	0.4	-	6	0.4	-	6	0.4	-	5	0.4	-
Intentional Neglect	5	0.4	-	0	0.0	-	2	0.1	-	1	0.1	-
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	1	0.1	-
Other	2	0.1	-	2	0.1	-	4	0.3	-	1	0.1	-
Unknown	43	3.2	-	54	4.0	-	53	3.6	-	49	3.5	-
TOTAL	1,338	100.0	18.1	1,354	100.0	18.1	1,456	100.0	19.2	1,405	100.0	18.4

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. Virginia's population was estimated at 7,386,300 persons in 2003, at 7,460,066 persons in 2004, at 7,567,465 persons in 2005, and at 7,642,884 persons in 2006. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per violent death victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of violent deaths, nor sum to 100%

Table 48. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Suicide Victims in Virginia: 2003-2006

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Sex												
Male	621	77.1	17.1	664	79.3	18.1	691	78.8	18.6	676	75.5	18.0
Female	184	22.9	4.9	173	20.7	4.6	186	21.2	4.8	219	24.5	5.6
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Race												
White	700	87.0	12.7	719	85.9	12.9	759	86.5	13.5	781	87.3	13.8
Black	91	11.3	6.0	91	10.9	6.0	100	11.4	6.5	94	10.5	6.0
Asian	13	1.6	3.9	25	3.0	7.0	15	1.7	4.0	19	2.1	4.8
American Indian	1	0.1	3.6	1	0.1	3.6	1	0.1	3.8	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	0	0.0	-	1	0.1	-	2	0.2	-	1	0.1	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²												
Hispanic	19	2.4	4.8	22	2.6	5.2	26	3.0	5.7	26	2.9	5.4
Age Group												
<1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
10-14	7	0.9	1.3	5	0.6	1.0	11	1.3	2.1	3	0.3	0.6
15-19	37	4.6	7.3	41	4.9	7.9	37	4.2	7.0	35	3.9	6.6
20-24	59	7.3	11.1	60	7.2	11.2	59	6.7	10.8	80	8.9	14.9
25-34	139	17.3	13.7	117	14.0	11.5	152	17.3	15.0	122	13.6	11.6
35-44	168	20.9	14.2	190	22.7	16.2	156	17.8	13.3	165	18.4	14.0
45-54	157	19.5	14.6	177	21.1	16.2	192	21.9	17.1	217	24.2	19.0
55-64	92	11.4	12.4	106	12.7	13.6	134	15.3	16.4	128	14.3	15.3
65-74	78	9.7	17.5	60	7.2	13.2	69	7.9	14.9	73	8.2	15.4
75-84	48	6.0	16.6	58	6.9	19.9	48	5.5	16.3	54	6.0	18.0
85 and older	20	2.5	20.1	23	2.7	22.4	19	2.2	17.4	18	2.0	16.1
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Method of Fatal Injury³												
Firearm	449	55.8	-	497	59.4	-	514	58.6	-	496	55.4	-
Poison	148	18.4	-	134	16.0	-	146	16.6	-	167	18.7	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	156	19.4	-	165	19.7	-	163	18.6	-	161	18.0	-
Sharp Instrument	8	1.0	-	14	1.7	-	19	2.2	-	16	1.8	-
Blunt Instrument	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Fall	16	2.0	-	10	1.2	-	19	2.2	-	23	2.6	-
Drowning	18	2.2	-	12	1.4	-	5	0.6	-	16	1.8	-
Personal Weapon	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Motor Vehicle	5	0.6	-	6	0.7	-	11	1.3	-	6	0.7	-
Fire or Burn	3	0.4	-	2	0.2	-	3	0.3	-	5	0.6	-
Other Transport Vehicle	4	0.5	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	6	0.7	-
Shaking	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Intentional Neglect	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	1	0.1	-
Other	2	0.2	-	2	0.2	-	3	0.3	-	1	0.1	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	805	100.0	10.9	837	100.0	11.2	877	100.0	11.6	895	100.0	11.7

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per suicide victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of suicides, nor sum to 100%

Table 49. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Homicide Victims in Virginia: 2003-2006

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Sex												
Male	341	77.9	9.4	295	73.6	8.0	375	78.6	10.1	312	77.8	8.3
Female	97	22.1	2.6	106	26.4	2.8	102	21.4	2.7	89	22.2	2.3
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Race												
White	146	33.3	2.6	136	33.9	2.4	176	36.9	3.1	149	37.2	2.6
Black	274	62.6	18.2	254	63.3	16.7	287	60.2	18.6	246	61.3	15.8
Asian	10	2.3	3.0	8	2.0	2.2	10	2.1	2.7	5	1.2	1.3
American Indian	1	0.2	3.6	2	0.5	7.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	7	1.6	-	1	0.2	-	4	0.8	-	1	0.2	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²												
Hispanic	26	5.9	6.6	23	5.7	5.4	32	6.7	7.1	25	6.2	5.2
Age Group												
<1	9	2.1	9.1	3	0.7	3.0	9	1.9	8.6	13	3.2	12.6
1-4	7	1.6	1.8	11	2.7	2.8	10	2.1	2.5	9	2.2	2.2
5-9	7	1.6	1.4	3	0.7	0.6	3	0.6	0.6	2	0.5	0.4
10-14	7	1.6	1.3	6	1.5	1.2	5	1.0	1.0	3	0.7	0.6
15-19	50	11.4	9.8	39	9.7	7.5	54	11.3	10.2	38	9.5	7.2
20-24	103	23.5	19.4	87	21.7	16.2	98	20.5	18.0	78	19.5	14.6
25-34	92	21.0	9.0	101	25.2	9.9	118	24.7	11.6	89	22.2	8.5
35-44	81	18.5	6.8	67	16.7	5.7	82	17.2	7.0	68	17.0	5.8
45-54	45	10.3	4.2	41	10.2	3.8	55	11.5	4.9	53	13.2	4.6
55-64	19	4.3	2.6	20	5.0	2.6	23	4.8	2.8	27	6.7	3.2
65-74	10	2.3	2.2	8	2.0	1.8	11	2.3	2.4	11	2.7	2.3
75-84	4	0.9	1.4	10	2.5	3.4	9	1.9	3.1	8	2.0	2.7
85 and older	2	0.5	2.0	5	1.2	4.9	0	0.0	0.0	2	0.5	1.8
Unknown	2	0.5	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Method of Fatal Injury³												
Firearm	312	71.2	-	286	71.3	-	342	71.7	-	280	69.8	-
Poison	9	2.1	-	3	0.7	-	1	0.2	-	6	1.5	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	13	3.0	-	15	3.7	-	15	3.1	-	14	3.5	-
Sharp Instrument	54	12.3	-	51	12.7	-	62	13.0	-	60	15.0	-
Blunt Instrument	27	6.2	-	31	7.7	-	28	5.9	-	24	6.0	-
Fall	1	0.2	-	1	0.2	-	1	0.2	-	0	0.0	-
Drowning	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	5	1.0	-	0	0.0	-
Personal Weapon	7	1.6	-	11	2.7	-	18	3.8	-	15	3.7	-
Motor Vehicle	4	0.9	-	3	0.7	-	4	0.8	-	1	0.2	-
Fire or Burn	3	0.7	-	4	1.0	-	1	0.2	-	3	0.7	-
Other Transport Vehicle	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Shaking	6	1.4	-	6	1.5	-	6	1.3	-	5	1.2	-
Intentional Neglect	3	0.7	-	0	0.0	-	2	0.4	-	1	0.2	-
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Other	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	1	0.2	-	0	0.0	-
Unknown	6	1.4	-	1	0.2	-	6	1.3	-	6	1.5	-
TOTAL	438	100.0	5.9	401	100.0	5.4	477	100.0	6.3	401	100.0	5.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

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³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per homicide victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of homicides, nor sum to 100%

Table 50. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Legal Intervention Death Victims in Virginia: 2003-2006

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Sex												
Male	12	100.0	0.3	13	100.0	0.4	11	100.0	0.3	15	100.0	0.4
Female	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Race												
White	4	33.3	0.1	5	38.5	0.1	5	45.5	0.1	10	66.7	0.2
Black	7	58.3	0.5	8	61.5	0.5	6	54.5	0.4	5	33.3	0.3
Asian	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
American Indian	1	8.3	3.6	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²												
Hispanic	1	8.3	0.3	2	15.4	0.5	1	9.1	0.2	2	13.3	0.4
Age Group												
<1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
10-14	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	9.1	0.2	0	0.0	0.0
15-19	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	9.1	0.2	2	13.3	0.4
20-24	5	41.7	0.9	4	30.8	0.7	1	9.1	0.2	1	6.7	0.2
25-34	5	41.7	0.5	6	46.2	0.6	3	27.3	0.3	6	40.0	0.6
35-44	1	8.3	0.1	1	7.7	0.1	2	18.2	0.2	4	26.7	0.3
45-54	1	8.3	0.1	2	15.4	0.2	2	18.2	0.2	2	13.3	0.2
55-64	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	9.1	0.1	0	0.0	0.0
65-74	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
75-84	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
85 and older	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	12	100.0	0.2	13	100.0	0.2	11	100.0	0.1	15	100.0	0.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

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Table 51. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Unintentional Firearm Death Victims in Virginia: 2003-2006

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Sex												
Male	15	88.2	0.4	20	90.9	0.5	6	85.7	0.2	14	100.0	0.4
Female	2	11.8	0.1	2	9.1	0.1	1	14.3	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Race												
White	11	64.7	0.2	17	77.3	0.3	4	57.1	0.1	9	64.3	0.2
Black	5	29.4	0.3	5	22.7	0.3	3	42.9	0.2	5	35.7	0.3
Asian	1	5.9	0.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²												
Hispanic	1	5.9	0.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Age Group												
<1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
1-4	0	0.0	0.0	2	9.1	0.5	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
5-9	3	17.6	0.6	1	4.5	0.2	1	14.3	0.2	1	7.1	0.2
10-14	0	0.0	0.0	3	13.6	0.6	1	14.3	0.2	1	7.1	0.2
15-19	4	23.5	0.8	2	9.1	0.4	0	0.0	0.0	3	21.4	0.6
20-24	3	17.6	0.6	2	9.1	0.4	2	28.6	0.4	0	0.0	0.0
25-34	2	11.8	0.2	4	18.2	0.4	2	28.6	0.2	5	35.7	0.5
35-44	3	17.6	0.3	2	9.1	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	4	28.6	0.3
45-54	0	0.0	0.0	3	13.6	0.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
55-64	0	0.0	0.0	1	4.5	0.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
65-74	2	11.8	0.4	1	4.5	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
75-84	0	0.0	0.0	1	4.5	0.3	1	14.3	0.3	0	0.0	0.0
85 and older	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
TOTAL	17	100.0	0.2	22	100.0	0.3	7	100.0	0.1	14	100.0	0.2

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

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Table 52. Number, Percent, and Ratio of Child Violent Death Victims in Virginia: 2003-2006

	2003			2004			2005			2006		
	No.	%	Ratio ¹	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio	No.	%	Ratio
Sex												
Male	61	73.5	6.6	64	68.1	6.9	55	60.4	5.9	67	73.6	7.3
Female	22	26.5	2.5	30	31.9	3.4	36	39.6	4.0	24	26.4	2.7
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Race												
White	41	49.4	3.2	47	50.0	3.7	46	50.5	3.6	48	52.7	3.8
Black	41	49.4	9.3	44	46.8	10.0	43	47.3	9.7	40	44.0	9.1
Asian	0	0.0	0.0	3	3.2	3.5	1	1.1	1.1	3	3.3	3.2
American Indian	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other Race	1	1.2	-	0	0.0	-	1	1.1	-	0	0.0	-
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Ethnicity²												
Hispanic	7	8.4	5.7	5	5.3	3.7	3	3.3	2.1	5	5.5	3.3
Age Group												
<1	16	19.3	16.2	30	31.9	29.9	22	24.2	21.0	35	38.5	33.9
1-4	14	16.9	3.6	13	13.8	3.3	11	12.1	2.7	11	12.1	2.7
5-9	10	12.0	2.1	4	4.3	0.8	4	4.4	0.8	4	4.4	0.8
10-14	14	16.9	2.7	14	14.9	2.7	18	19.8	3.5	7	7.7	1.4
15-17	29	34.9	9.6	33	35.1	10.8	36	39.6	11.4	34	37.4	10.7
Violent Death Type												
Suicide	19	22.9	1.1	19	20.2	1.1	27	29.7	1.5	19	20.9	1.1
Homicide	44	53.0	2.4	37	39.4	2.0	45	49.5	2.5	44	48.4	2.4
Undetermined	15	18.1	0.8	30	31.9	1.7	15	16.5	0.8	26	28.6	1.4
Legal Intervention	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	2	2.2	0.1	0	0.0	0.0
Unintentional Firearm	5	6.0	0.3	8	8.5	0.4	2	2.2	0.1	2	2.2	0.1
Terrorism	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Method of Fatal Injury³												
Firearm	38	45.8	-	38	40.4	-	36	39.6	-	31	34.1	-
Poison	5	6.0	-	4	4.3	-	2	2.2	-	7	7.7	-
Hanging or Strangulation or Suffocation	5	6.0	-	10	10.6	-	15	16.5	-	9	9.9	-
Sharp Instrument	2	2.4	-	1	1.1	-	2	2.2	-	7	7.7	-
Blunt Instrument	4	4.8	-	2	2.1	-	2	2.2	-	4	4.4	-
Fall	1	1.2	-	2	2.1	-	1	1.1	-	0	0.0	-
Drowning	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	2	2.2	-	1	1.1	-
Personal Weapon	3	3.6	-	3	3.2	-	6	6.6	-	5	5.5	-
Motor Vehicle	1	1.2	-	0	0.0	-	2	2.2	-	0	0.0	-
Fire or Burn	1	1.2	-	1	1.1	-	0	0.0	-	1	1.1	-
Other Transport Vehicle	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Shaking	6	7.2	-	6	6.4	-	6	6.6	-	5	5.5	-
Intentional Neglect	3	3.6	-	0	0.0	-	1	1.1	-	0	0.0	-
Non-powder Gun	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Other	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-	0	0.0	-
Unknown	14	16.9	-	28	29.8	-	18	19.8	-	27	29.7	-
TOTAL	83	100.0	4.6	94	100.0	5.2	91	100.0	5.0	91	100.0	5.0

¹ Ratios reflect risk per 100,000 persons. The symbol - refers to ratios that cannot be calculated, because there is no specified population on which to base the ratio.

² Hispanic persons may be members of any race.

³ More than one method of fatal injury may be reported per child violent death victim. Methods of fatal injury will not sum to the total number of child violent deaths, nor sum to 100%

APPENDIX C:

VIRGINIA LOCALITIES
BY MEDICAL EXAMINER
DISTRICT, HEALTH
PLANNING REGION, AND
PLANNING DISTRICT

Table 53. Virginia Localities by Medical Examiner District, Health Planning Region, and Planning District

LOCALITY	MEDICAL EXAMINER DISTRICT (OCME)	HEALTH PLANNING REGION	PLANNING DISTRICT ¹
Accomack County	Tidewater	5. Eastern	22. Accomack - Northampton
Albemarle County	Central	1. Northwest	10. Thomas Jefferson
Alexandria City	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Alleghany County	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Amelia County	Central	4. Central	14. Commonwealth Regional
Amherst County	Western	3. Southwest	11. Region 2000
Appomattox County	Western	3. Southwest	11. Region 2000
Arlington County	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Augusta County	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Bath County	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Bedford City	Western	3. Southwest	11. Region 2000
Bedford County	Western	3. Southwest	11. Region 2000
Bland County	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Botetourt County	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Bristol City	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Brunswick County	Central	4. Central	13. Southside
Buchanan County	Western	3. Southwest	2. Cumberland Plateau
Buckingham County	Central	4. Central	14. Commonwealth Regional
Buena Vista City	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Campbell County	Western	3. Southwest	11. Region 2000
Caroline County	Central	1. Northwest	16. George Washington Regional
Carroll County	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Charles City County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Charlotte County	Central	4. Central	14. Commonwealth Regional
Charlottesville City	Central	1. Northwest	10. Thomas Jefferson
Chesapeake City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Chesterfield County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional; 19. Crater
Clarke County	Northern	1. Northwest	7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional
Colonial Heights City	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Covington City	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Craig County	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Culpeper County	Northern	1. Northwest	9. Rappahannock - Rapidan Regional
Cumberland County	Central	4. Central	14. Commonwealth Regional
Danville City	Western	3. Southwest	12. West Piedmont
Dickenson County	Western	3. Southwest	2. Cumberland Plateau
Dinwiddie County	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Emporia City	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Essex County	Central	5. Eastern	18. Middle Peninsula
Fairfax City	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Fairfax County	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Falls Church City	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Fauquier County	Northern	1. Northwest	9. Rappahannock - Rapidan Regional
Floyd County	Western	3. Southwest	4. New River Valley
Fluvanna County	Central	1. Northwest	10. Thomas Jefferson

LOCALITY	MEDICAL EXAMINER DISTRICT (OCME)	HEALTH PLANNING REGION	PLANNING DISTRICT ¹
Franklin City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Franklin County	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional; 12. West Piedmont
Frederick County	Northern	1. Northwest	7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional
Fredericksburg City	Central	1. Northwest	16. George Washington Regional
Galax City	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Giles County	Western	3. Southwest	4. New River Valley
Gloucester County	Central	5. Eastern	18. Middle Peninsula; 23. Hampton Roads
Goochland County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Grayson County	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Greene County	Central	1. Northwest	10. Thomas Jefferson
Greensville County	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Halifax County	Central	4. Central	13. Southside
Hampton City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Hanover County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Harrisonburg City	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Henrico County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Henry County	Western	3. Southwest	12. West Piedmont
Highland County	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Hopewell City	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Isle of Wight County	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
James City County	Central	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
King and Queen County	Central	5. Eastern	18. Middle Peninsula
King George County	Central	1. Northwest	16. George Washington Regional
King William County	Central	5. Eastern	18. Middle Peninsula
Lancaster County	Central	5. Eastern	17. Northern Neck
Lee County	Western	3. Southwest	1. LENOWISCO
Lexington City	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Loudoun County	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Louisa County	Central	1. Northwest	10. Thomas Jefferson
Lunenburg County	Central	4. Central	14. Commonwealth Regional
Lynchburg City	Western	3. Southwest	11. Region 2000
Madison County	Northern	1. Northwest	9. Rappahannock - Rapidan Regional
Manassas City	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Manassas Park City	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Martinsville City	Western	3. Southwest	12. West Piedmont
Mathews County	Central	5. Eastern	18. Middle Peninsula
Mecklenburg County	Central	4. Central	13. Southside
Middlesex County	Central	5. Eastern	18. Middle Peninsula
Montgomery County	Western	3. Southwest	4. New River Valley
Nelson County	Central	1. Northwest	10. Thomas Jefferson
New Kent County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Newport News City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Norfolk City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Northampton County	Tidewater	5. Eastern	22. Accomack - Northampton
Northumberland County	Central	5. Eastern	17. Northern Neck

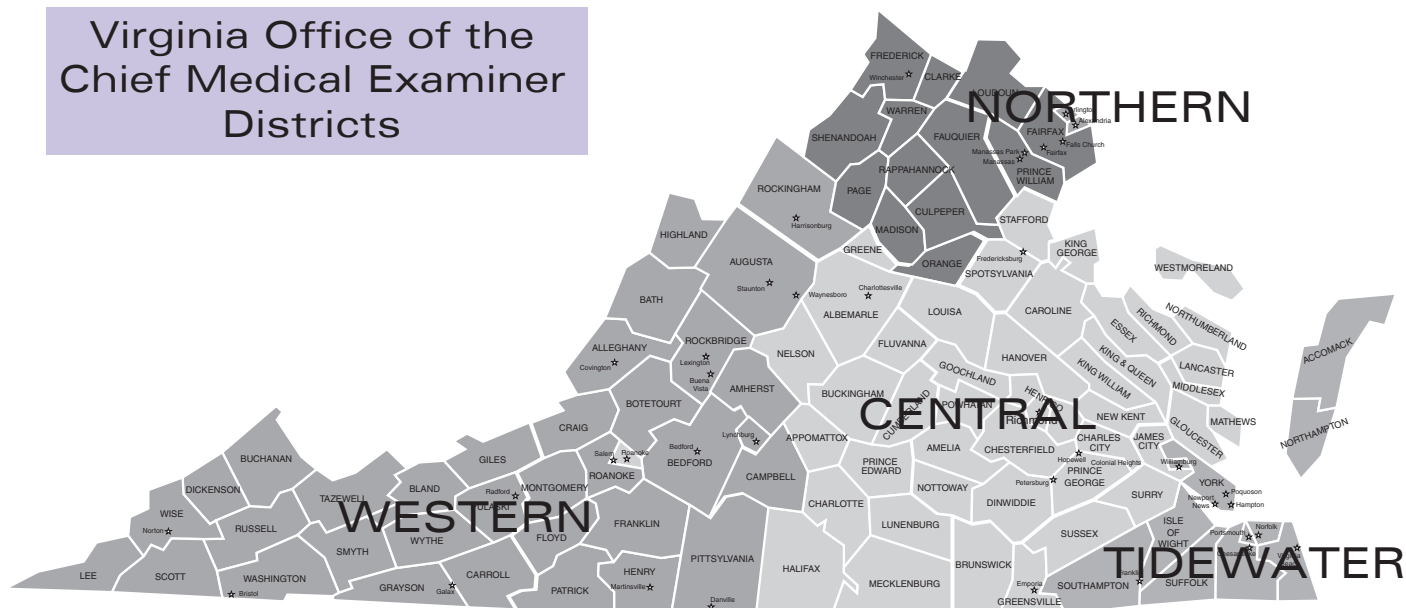
LOCALITY	MEDICAL EXAMINER DISTRICT (OCME)	HEALTH PLANNING REGION	PLANNING DISTRICT ¹
Norton City	Western	3. Southwest	1. LENOWISCO
Nottoway County	Central	4. Central	Not a member of a Planning District
Orange County	Northern	1. Northwest	9. Rappahannock - Rapidan Regional
Page County	Northern	1. Northwest	7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional
Patrick County	Western	3. Southwest	12. West Piedmont
Petersburg City	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Pittsylvania County	Western	3. Southwest	12. West Piedmont
Poquoson City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Portsmouth City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Powhatan County	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Prince Edward County	Central	4. Central	14. Commonwealth Regional
Prince George County	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Prince William County	Northern	2. Northern	8. Northern Virginia Regional
Pulaski County	Western	3. Southwest	4. New River Valley
Radford City	Western	3. Southwest	4. New River Valley
Rappahannock County	Northern	1. Northwest	9. Rappahannock - Rapidan Regional
Richmond City	Central	4. Central	15. Richmond Regional
Richmond County	Central	5. Eastern	17. Northern Neck
Roanoke City	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Roanoke County	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Rockbridge County	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Rockingham County	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Russell County	Western	3. Southwest	2. Cumberland Plateau
Salem City	Western	3. Southwest	5. Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional
Scott County	Western	3. Southwest	1. LENOWISCO
Shenandoah County	Northern	1. Northwest	7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional
Smyth County	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Southampton County	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Spotsylvania County	Central	1. Northwest	16. George Washington Regional
Stafford County	Central	1. Northwest	16. George Washington Regional
Staunton City	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Suffolk City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Surry County	Central	4. Central	19. Crater; 23. Hampton Roads
Sussex County	Central	4. Central	19. Crater
Tazewell County	Western	3. Southwest	2. Cumberland Plateau
Virginia Beach City	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Warren County	Northern	1. Northwest	7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional
Washington County	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
Waynesboro City	Western	1. Northwest	6. Central Shenandoah
Westmoreland County	Central	5. Eastern	17. Northern Neck
Williamsburg City	Central	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads
Winchester City	Northern	1. Northwest	7. Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional
Wise County	Western	3. Southwest	1. LENOWISCO
Wythe County	Western	3. Southwest	3. Mount Rogers
York County	Tidewater	5. Eastern	23. Hampton Roads

¹ Chesterfield County is a member of Planning District 15 and Planning District 19; Gloucester County is a member of Planning District 18 and Planning District 23; Surry County is a member of Planning District 19 and Planning District 23; Franklin County is a member of Planning District 5 and Planning District 12. Nottoway County is not a member of any Planning District.

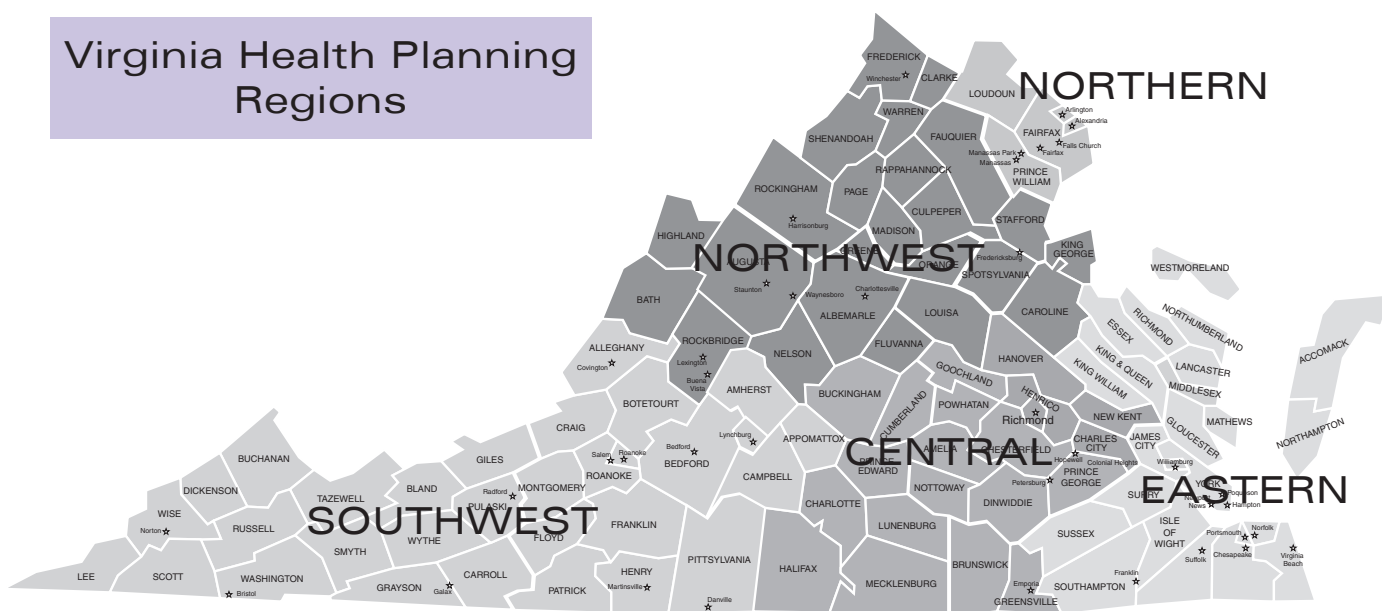
APPENDIX D:

MAPS OF VIRGINIA
MEDICAL EXAMINER
DISTRICTS, HEALTH
PLANNING REGIONS, AND
PLANNING DISTRICTS

Virginia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner Districts

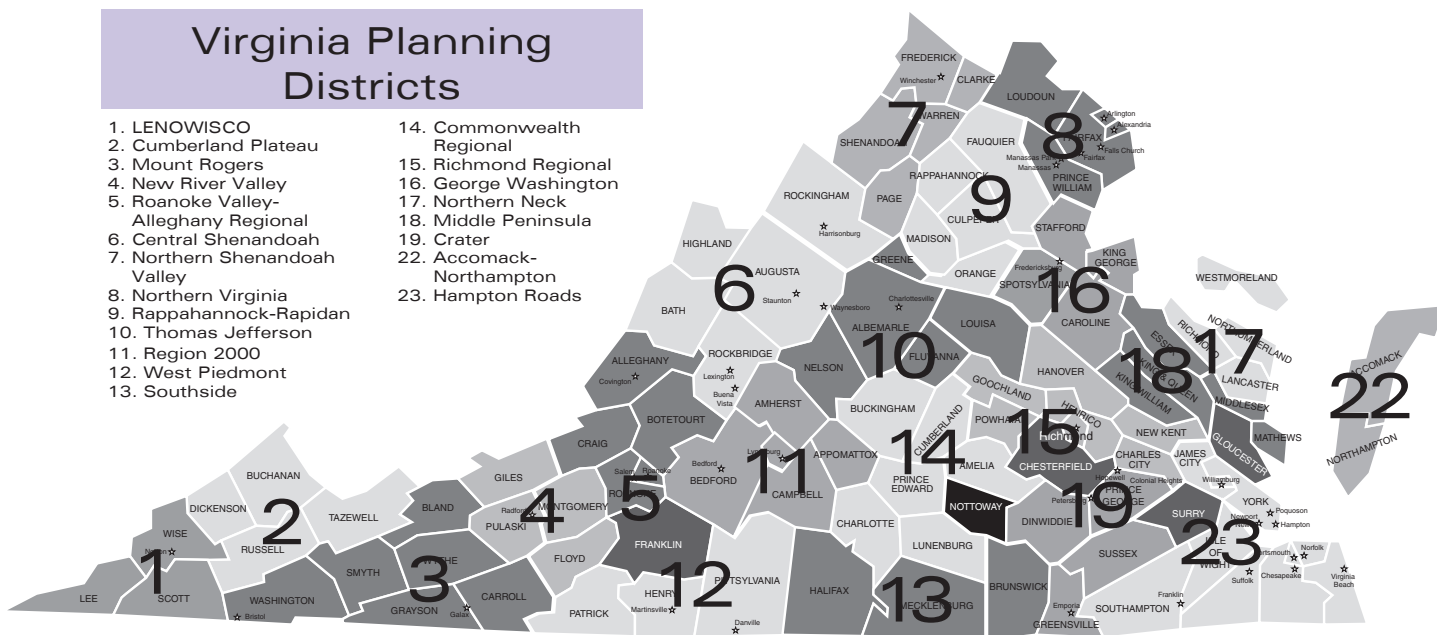


Virginia Health Planning Regions



Virginia Planning Districts

1. LENOWISCO
2. Cumberland Plateau
3. Mount Rogers
4. New River Valley
5. Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional
6. Central Shenandoah
7. Northern Shenandoah Valley
8. Northern Virginia
9. Rappahannock-Rapidan
10. Thomas Jefferson
11. Region 2000
12. West Piedmont
13. Southside
14. Commonwealth Regional
15. Richmond Regional
16. George Washington
17. Northern Neck
18. Middle Peninsula
19. Crater
22. Accomack-Norfolk
23. Hampton Roads





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